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## WHEELER CALLS FOR WAR ON POVERTY

Labor leaders who would send their workers to war "are without peer among the Judas Iscariots of all history," Senator Burton K. Wheeler declared last night in a Labor Day address at St. Charles.

Speaking before an estimated 30,000 persons in Pottawatomie Park on "America First Day" at the St. Charles, Ill., Fall Festival, he warned that America faces a critical decision—"peace or war—freedom or slavery—democracy or dictatorship." He said:

"Today could well be a historic Labor Day—if we have the will, the courage and the intelligence to make it such. Today, the workers of the nation could and should resolve that this republic will not become embroiled in a foreign war.

### WAR AGAINST POVERTY.

"Today the workers of this nation could and should resolve that they will enlist in a war—a noble war—a war against poverty—a war against unemployment—a war to give the farmer equality with other groups of our nation—a war against monopoly—a war against disease—a war against all our unsolved economic problems.

"How I wish it was this war against unsolved domestic problems that President Roosevelt meant when he said last week: 'We have a war to win.'"

But, he said, it is a different kind of war that the President meant:

"A war that will send American boys to the slaughter pens of Europe—a war in the Pacific to preserve the British Empire—a war to save the Chinese city of Hong Kong for British exploitation—a war to maintain British subjugation of the Malay States and India, where four hundred million people live in abject poverty and slavery."

### WARNS OF LABOR DANGER.

"The day America is plunged into war, he said, labor can forget its hard-won rights. He declared:

"Some will tell you that it will be only temporary—that it is better to have an American dictator than a foreign dictator. That is sheer poppycock. It took a hundred years to win the right of collective bargaining—once it is lost, labor can bid it good-bye for generations."

War, he declared, will cost us our democracy, with civil rights, freedom of speech, press, religion and assembly gone. He said:

"If you do not have faith in the people, then you lie when you say you believe in democracy.

"If you break faith with the people, you are stabbing democracy in the back, and it then becomes an empty shell. I say to those of you who believe in the democratic process: do not permit the government of the United States to break that faith. Insist upon the determination of the greatest issue which a free people have faced for many generations by democratic process."

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Sept. 4, 1941

## AMERICA FIRST— UNIT PROJECTED

### Group of Roanokers Will Organize Tonight

A group of Roanokers interested in the formation of a local unit of the America First committee will meet this evening at 8 o'clock, daylight time, at Hotel Patrick Henry to discuss formation of a permanent local organization, and has extended an invitation to the public to attend the meeting, one of the group said last night.

The group met Sunday and formed a temporary committee, and probably will set a time for a general public meeting at the session this evening. Names of the temporary committee were not learned.

#### Principles Outlined

Membership in the America First committee and in its local unit, if one is formed, is open to any "patriotic American," but specifically excludes fascists, communists, nazis, members of the German-American bund, and "Union Nowsters"—the last-named being advocates of immediate union of England-speaking countries, as proposed by Striet.

The six principles on which the America First committee is founded were stated by the local member yesterday as follows:

(1) no foreign war; (2) a strong defense at home, so that no power or combination of powers can invade the United States; (3) save and extend American democracy; (4) no convoys, since ships sent into war zones in 1917 led to our involvement in the World war; (5) humanitarian aid, administered to alleviate the worst of the suffering in England and the occupied countries; and (6) a national advisory referendum on the question of war and peace, so that when Congress is called upon to make the decision on the question, as provided for in the Constitution, they may know how the people of the nation feel.

General Robert E. Wood, acting quartermaster general of the army during the World war, is national chairman of the America First committee.

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# In The News

REP. DIES SHOULD  
INVESTIGATE  
REP. DICKSTEIN

**COL. MOORE-BRABAZON,** distinguished minister of aircraft production of England, is accused violently in Britain of having "voiced the hope that Germany and Russia would exterminate each other and leave Great Britain the victor."

There would seem to be nothing particularly reprehensible about that utterance and desire on the part of anyone sincerely interested in the welfare of the British Empire.

But the peculiarity of the war situation in both Britain and America is that the great body of ultra-radicals appear to be more interested in the success and survival of Bolshevik Russia than they are in any other phase of the military or political situation.

**THE** man who makes the accusation so dramatically and sensationally against the British cabinet minister for expressing the hope that the totalitarian powers would exterminate each other and leave Great Britain dominant is one Jack Tanner, a labor leader, president of the Amalgamated Engineering Union.

And the accusation was made before the Trades Union Congress.

Whereupon the congress proceeded to call for the "establishment of an Anglo-Russian Trade Union Council," and pledged its support to all efforts to supply war materials—TO RUSSIA.

The Trades Union Council then formally approved the alliance of England and the United States WITH RUSSIA and "praised the Roosevelt-Churchill declaration of aims."

All of which brings up the plain and pointed question:

"What on earth is all the shooting about?"

What are we fighting against, and what are we fighting for?

If we are fighting against totalitarianism as a foul principle and oppressive policy, why in the name of high heaven should we NOT desire to see the two totalitarian powers exterminate each other and destroy not only the principle but the practice of despotic government?

*"We are citizens—or subjects—of a genuine democracy and if we are devoted to the ideals of democracy and honestly desirous of preserving and perpetuating those ideals, why should we not desire to see the enemies of democracy—destroy each other?"*

Why should we not long to see democracy raise its strong structure—its temple of liberty and justice—upon the ruins of ALL totalitarian tyranny?

But no! In both Great Britain and America the ultra radicals want to see Russian tyranny preserved.

They do not object to despotism if it is despotism of the class and despotism of THEIR class.

They hate the brutal tyrant.

Hitler, but they love the block tyrant, Stalin.  
They are like the political boss who said of the corrupt alderman:

*"I know he is an S.O.B. But he is our S.O.B."*

**WELL** and good as a battle cry for those who are fighting for BOLSHIEVISM.  
But are the rest of us straining every nerve for the benefit of Bolshevism?

Is our free country piling up deficits, bleeding its citizens white with confiscatory taxation, rushing headlong into national bankruptcy, shoveling out our wealth abroad and shipping our war materials to alien nations to bolster up Bolshevism in Russia to spread it over all of Europe, including Britain, and to breed it and broadcast it in our own America?

We may not think that this is what we want to do, but this is EXACTLY what we ARE doing with our Bolshevik alliance, and no smoke screen of fine phrases can obscure that outstanding fact.

No country which fights for Russia can claim to be honestly opposed to tyranny, since Bolshevism is the basest and bloodiest tyranny that has disgraced the supposed civilization of Europe since the time of the Terrible.

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No country can truthfully claim to be crusading for democracy and the four freedoms when it is supporting a tyranny which is the most evil enemy of democracy—a tyranny where all the four freedoms have been brutally suppressed—a tyranny with no liberty, no opportunity, no morality, and no God.

THE sympathy with Bolshevism is not confined to Britain. It is just as prevalent and pronounced in the United States as it is in England—or as it was in France before that nation's fall.

All sorts of strikes and sabotage impeded our construction and shipment of war material when we were supporting the democracies of Europe, and opposing BOTH totalitarian tyrannies.

But when we changed our national policy and supported Russian tyranny and sought to bring the bravely battling democracies of Finland and Esthonia and Latvia and Lithuania back into the grip of Russian despotism—when we made a virtue of feeding the civilized republics of Central Europe to the greedy maw of the medieval Bolshevik Bear, the interference with our construction and transportation of war material suddenly ceased.

Our Communist fifth columns were—as a rule—satisfied with a policy which sustained communism in Russia and stimulated its spread over the rest of the world.

But the ultra radicals in America are not even contented by the alliance of Russian tyr-

anny with our country and the support of Russian communism by our government.

These extreme radicals openly object to any activity of any American organizations in behalf of democratic ideals and traditional American principles and policies.

It is an evil in the eyes of these ultra radicals for Americans to desire to keep their beloved country out of the devastation of war.

It is the unpardonable sin for Americans to wish to save the flower of American youth from again being sacrificed on foreign fields.

It is base betrayal of what—OF BOLSHEVISM—to express the fond hope (while giving all-out aid to England) that the totalitarian powers will exterminate each other and leave the democracies triumphant and unscathed.

**REPRESENTATIVE SAMUEL R. DICKSTEIN**, radical Democrat, of New York, chairman of the House Immigration and Naturalization Committee, announced Tuesday, according to the dispatches, "that he had telegraphed Representative Martin Dies, of Texas, urging an immediate investigation of the America First Committee," and saying:

"This group acts contrary to the principles enunciated by President Roosevelt in his Labor Day address, and there is no doubt, in my mind at least, that the source of funds with which this group operates is questionable."

Mr. Dies should answer this telegram by investigating not merely the America First Committee, but investigating Mr. Samuel Dickstein.

PERHAPS Mr. Dies can find out why so many Communist immigrants are allowed entrance into this country, and why so few are exposed and expelled.

Perhaps Mr. Dies can further discover why so many traitors to our free American institutions are aided in becoming naturalized citizens to pursue their treasonable activities clothed and protected by the rights and liberties of American citizenship.

Mr. Dickstein, chairman of the House IMMIGRATION and NATURALIZATION Committee, would certainly welcome a fraternal investigation by Mr. Dies, chairman of the House committee investigating UN-AMERICAN ACTIVITIES.

And while investigations in order, the loyal citizens of America—all of them—would better investigate for themselves the dangers to their American institutions and to their liberties and to THEIR LIVELIHOODS through the widening spread of Communism in the United States and the encouragement given to that deadly contagion not only by subversive individuals but by certain departments of our Government.

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# AMERICA FIRST RAPS RADICALS

The America First Committee of Northern California in a letter to the President today demanded all communistic literature be prohibited from circulation and that all radicals be removed from public positions. The committee voted to notify the President of its demands at a meeting last night at 507 Mission St.

# Lillian Gish Does Fadeout From Role in America First

Mystery almost complete today surrounded the resignation of Lillian Gish, actress of stage and screen, from the America First Committee, for which she was a much-heralded speaker last spring.

The one known fact—admitted by all concerned—is that Miss Gish went to see Brig. Gen. Robert E. Wood, retired, chairman of America First, on Aug. 28, in Chicago, and verbally resigned.

That is agreed by Miss Gish and by a spokesman for Wood at headquarters of America First. But neither principal sees fit to discuss the fadeout.

Some rumors have linked the resignation with the hearings conducted by an isolationist subcommittee of the Senate in Washington on "war propaganda" in the films.

## Feared Senate Call?

According to a Hollywood dispatch to the theatrical magazine,

Variety, Miss Gish, in addition to resigning orally to Wood, wrote a letter stating that she did not believe America First would function as it did when she joined, and that she was not going to be used as a cat's paw by it to testify against the movie industry.

At headquarters of America First it was denied that she sent any letter or that she made any verbal statement such as the version Variety mentions.

## Denies Any Discrimination.

One Hollywood trade journal recently said Miss Gish might be called to testify in Washington before the "propaganda" investigating subcommittee — composed of four isolationist senators and one with views unknown, all appointed by Senator Barton K. Wheeler. It said there was a "rumor" that Miss Gish could not obtain employment in

Hollywood because of her America First activities.

That story, in turn, has been denied by Miss Gish. Dispatches from New York quote her:

"I have nothing to tell the Senate committee and I know nothing of any discrimination against me."

Miss Gish would not say whether she'd changed her mind on the war since the day when she won headlines for America First in Chicago and elsewhere.

"I just resigned," she said.

In Chicago last April Miss Gish, then starring in "Life with Father," summed up her political credo thus:

"My platform is pro-American and anti-hate. I didn't vote in the last election as I felt both candidates were more interested in other countries than in their own."

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GEN. ROBERT E. WOOD, ACTING CHAIRMAN OF THE AMERICA FIRST COMMITTEE SAID TODAY THAT "IT IS TO BE SUPPOSED" THAT PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT WILL GO ON THE AIR TONIGHT TO WHIP UP THE FEARS AND HATREDS OF OUR PEOPLE AND URGE THEM STILL CLOSER TO WAR."

HE SAID THAT ALTHOUGH IT IS IMPOSSIBLE TO PREDICT WHAT THE PRESIDENT WILL SAY "WE DO KNOW THE FACTS UPON WHICH HE WILL BASE HIS TALK."

"HE HAS BEEN SENDING AMERICAN SHIPS INTO ZONES OF WAR WHERE AN INCIDENT OF SOME SORT IS INEVITABLE," WOOD SAID. "THIS IS IN VIOLATION OF THE PLAIN INTENT OF THE NEUTRALITY ACT."

"HIS SUPPORTERS HAVE BEEN BEGGING HIM TO DO THIS SO THAT WE MIGHT HAVE AN INCIDENT."

"WE CANNOT SEND OUR SHIPS IN BETWEEN THE WARRING NAVIES WITHOUT GETTING HIT. IF THE PRESIDENT IS ACTING TO KEEP HIS PLEDGE TO PROTECT THIS COUNTRY FROM ATTACK AND WAR, THEN IT IS HIS DUTY TO KEEP HIS SHIPS OUT OF THE BATTLE ZONE."

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America First group calling on Representative Anton Maciejewski yesterday. Left to right, front: Mrs. Ethel Michels, Mrs. Ethel Hafner, Mrs. Edith Scully, Mrs. Herbert Ward, Mrs. Marie Bauman. Rear: Mrs. Nellie Kunkel, Mrs. Allen Camp, Representative Maciejewski, Mrs. Lillian Prugh, Herbert Ward, John Douglas, and W. C. Shafer.

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## A Group to 'Combat' America First

Formation of the United Patriots of Berkeley, the stated purpose of which is to combat the activities of the America First Committee, was announced yesterday in the East Bay.

Sponsors of the United Patriots were various leaders of veterans' organizations, who called upon "all true and patriotic citizens to repudiate the leadership and activities of the so-called America First Committee, within our community and elsewhere."

In a six-point statement of its position, the new organization charged the America First Committee with misrepresentations and its spokesmen with endangering the lives of members of the American armed forces. Sponsors were:

George Brown, commander, United Spanish-American War Veterans; John H. Duckel, president, Society of the First Division, California branch; Charles C. Dawson, commander, Disabled American Veterans of the World War; Morgan V. Spicer, commander, Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States; Marshall E. Craig, commander, Post No. 1, American Legion; W. J. McGinnis, commander, Campville Post, American Legion; and Joseph McKee, president, United Veterans' Council of Berkeley.

A spokesman for the group said plans are being made to hold a mass meeting soon in Berkeley.

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COL. LOUIS JOHNSON, FORMER ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF WAR, SAID TONIGHT IT IS TIME "FOR THE LINDBERGHs TO ACCEPT THE OPINION OF THE MAJORITY OF GOOD AMERICANS AND SHUT UP."

HE MADE THE STATEMENT AFTER RELEASING A STATEMENT FOR MORNING PAPERS CHARGING THAT GENERAL ROBERT E. WOOD, NATIONAL CHAIRMAN OF THE AMERICA FIRST COMMITTEE WAS SEEKING TO "UNDERMINE CONFIDENCE IN AND THUS HINDER EXECUTION OF" PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT'S "SHOOT-ON-SIGHT" ORDERS TO THE NAVY.

ASKED TO COMMENT ON CHARLES A. LINDBERGH'S ADDRESS LAST NIGHT, JOHNSON CONTENDED THAT THE FLIER HAD "ARGUED FROM A FALSE PREMISE AND CAN AND IS DOING ONLY A DISSERVICE FOR THE FUTURE WELFARE OF AMERICA."

JOHNSON STOPPED HERE ENROUTE TO THE LEGION CONVENTION AT MILWAUKEE AND MADE PUBLIC AN EXCHANGE OF TELEGRAMS WITH WOOD. THE LATTER'S TELEGRAM SOUGHT TO ENLIST JOHNSON IN A DENUNCIATION OF THE PRESIDENT'S ACTION.

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*This page, which will appear again occasionally in The News, presents opposite views of the role this nation should take in World War II. The page is divided equally between the two organizations whose names appear below.*

They are free to say what they please without interference or editing by The News. On the other hand, they accept full responsibility for the presentation of their views.

(Provided by the Committee to Defend America,  
4 W. 40th St., New York City)

# HITLER'S AGENT?

The America "First" Committee used its part of this page on September 6 to cry about being "smeared" as "agents of Adolf Hitler." Then, on its part of the very next Battle Page (September 9) the same committee provided a sensational example of what brings upon it the accusation of being Hitler's agent.

## Neutrality Act Was Passed To Keep Country Out of War

"The American people cannot settle the matter," America "First" declared, "by saying that the German government is lying." It being too absurd, however, for even America "First"

**Nazis' Word As Good As Ours?** to defend Hitler as an ever truthful statesman, that committee attempted to minimize his falsehoods by saying that Great Britain and the United States have also lied—in the last World War. Hence, we may take it that America "First" believes that, in general, Hitler's word is as good as that of President Roosevelt and Winston Churchill, and is better as regards the Greer incident.

To know the truth about the Greer incident, we are told to look at "plain facts." These facts, according to America "First," are that Germany doesn't want war with us, but that some of the Cabinet members, the Fight for Freedom Committee, and "another War Committee" have called upon the President to begin shooting.

Moreover, three months ago a newspaper column said that the President "hopes to drive the Germans to shoot first."

Referring to this same matter on the Battle Page of June 12, America "First" called it "a slur on the President" and said "America First does not endorse that charge." Now it seems that America "First" has changed its mind and does endorse the slur on the President, for it says (on September 9) "The Germans refused to shoot first."

That means that America "First" accepts the Nazis' word that the Greer attacked the German submarine.

In saying that the Germans refused to shoot first, America "first" is not only accusing the President of falsehood, but also our State Department, which gave out the news of the attack on the Greer, and the American naval officers who reported the attack to Washington. Further, saying that the Germans refused to shoot first accuses all of the sailors on the Greer of being parties to a base deception of our government, to get us into war.

On previous Battle Pages we have pointed out how America "First" constantly belittles America and does not denounce the Nazis. We have pointed out in specific detail how America

**Taking Side** "First" has betrayed its name by slurring our democracy, our government, our doughboys.

**With Nazis** We have shown how men prominent in America "First," including Senator Nye, Charles A. Lindbergh and John T. Flynn, have "followed the Nazi party line," using the same arguments that are put out by the Goebbels' propaganda mill. Now America "First" is openly taking sides with the Nazis in a vital issue between Berlin and Washington.

We do not accuse America "First" of consciously doing Hitler's bidding. We do not believe that many America Firsters are in sympathy with the Nazi cause. But Webster's Dictionary defines "agent" as "that which produces or will produce a certain effect; an active cause."

Whatever the motives of America "First," its propaganda has the certain effect of strengthening the Nazi position. It has the certain effect of weakening American defense efforts. It is an active cause of American disunity in this hour of extreme emergency. Thus it is of great service to Adolf Hitler.

But the war hawks are in a hurry. You can feel here the feverish haste of the conspirators to rush America in. The reasons for this hurry are very clear. Britain has just learned that America is **NOT GOING TO SEND THE YANKS**. It has shocked them. The war spirit in America is falling apart. Only this week one of the leading war-mongering columnists sadly deplored the terrible slump in the war spirit—he felt it was past repair. The Gallus war spirit is rising. So Britain is putting the heat on the President. Churchill wants us in or he wants to be told definitely that we are not coming in.

The course of honesty is tell him the truth. Instead, however, the war are making a last desperate effort to hurry the fatal step. They it before January because then the congressional campaigns will a congressman will dare face his constituents and tell them he them in war. The war hawks know all this. **THEY KNOW IT IS WAR NOW—OR NEVER.**

Hence the frantic appeals from Churchill, from Eden, from Bevin, from Morrison, from the Australian minister, from the war-hawk committees with their big newspaper ads begging the President to start shooting now. And finally from the President himself, who is sworn, under the Constitution and by his own sacred pledge, to protect the people from these dangerous men who love other countries more than they love America and are willing to sacrifice a million American boys to save an alien empire.

The answer to all this is: **HOLD FAST. DO NOT BE STAMPEDED.** Hold your heads—the vast majority of the American people are against war.

Just sit down and write to the congressman in your district, to your two senators and to as many congressmen as you can reach. Write letters telling them you expect them to keep this country out of war—no convoys, no foreign expeditions, no A.E.F., no American naval vessels shooting at any nation's ships. Do this today.

Lick this crazy war mania for a few more months—maybe just a few weeks—AND YOU WILL HAVE IT LICKED FOR GOOD.

## 'AMERICA FIRST' STATEMENT

### War Makers Urged U. S. to Shoot First

A U-Boat and an American destroyer fired on each other in the Atlantic. Who fired first? The White House says the U-Boat fired first. The Germans say the destroyer fired first.

The American people cannot settle the matter by saying that the German government is lying. Of course the German government will lie when that serves its purpose. But, also, in war all governments lie. Hitler has filled high heaven with his lies. The British government filled the world with its lies of atrocities in the last war and when the war was over, boasted of it. The American government in the last war denied there were secret treaties and later the secret treaties were printed.

Americans want to know the truth. Therefore, let's look at the plain facts. Who wants America in the war? Certainly not the Germans. With England and Russia to help, they have been careful not to invite us in. Hence firing on an American destroyer does not jibe with their own selfish policy. But the American government hankers to get in. The Secretaries of War, the Navy, and the President's close advisers have begged him to "shoot."

The Fight For Freedom Committee, a front for White House propaganda, recently printed a big newspaper ad beginning: "WHAT ARE WE WAITING FOR, MR. PRESIDENT?" The ad urged "Shooting of any Axis U-Boat and raider which the American Navy sights."

It printed another ad reading: "DON'T WAIT FOR THE WHITES OF THEIR EYES!" It added in heavy black type: "SHOOT FIRST! SHOOT NOW!" Later another War Committee printed a big ad starting off with big, blocked, black letters: "LET'S START SHOOTING, MR. PRESIDENT!"

Now what the Germans are saying is merely that the President has obligingly complied with the frantic appeals of his own closest supporters. They should be delighted to learn the Nazi charge is true. It would disappoint them to find it false.

Alsop and Kintner were two columnists until the draft drove them to enlist in soft berths in the Navy and Army. One is a relative of the Roosevelt family. Both were looked upon as pipe line columnists from the White House to the public. Read what they said in the New York Herald Tribune on June 4th:

"In the past week, he (the President) has been repeatedly urged to order immediate action. He has been warned that delay was to court disaster. He has been able to act, for all the necessary preparations for meeting the German threat in the Battle of the Atlantic have at last been completed. Yet he has not acted because he hopes to drive the Germans to shoot first."

"Perhaps instead of depending on one simple question the future depends on two. The men around the President are now misled in urging him to order action out of hand, without waiting for a pretext. If they fail, if the President's determination is not weakened by the remorseless logic of events, then a second question will have to be answered. Will the President's plan succeed?"

"The problem was mentioned in this space in a recent discussion of the Atlantic patrol, in which it was pointed out that THE PRESIDENT AND THE MEN AROUND HIM PRIVATELY HOPE THE PATROL WILL PRODUCE AN INCIDENT."

"No one can doubt the German high command will do everything possible to avoid shooting first."

What these two columnists friendly to the White House are saying is that the President himself is trying to trick the Germans into shooting first and that if they won't shoot first, then his intimate advisers want him to do the shooting.

The President told you he would never take you to war. Yet here is inside news from the White House that he is trying to get around that pledge by inducing the Germans to shoot first. What could be worse than that? The Germans have refused to shoot first. Has the President now complied with the advice of the men around him and with his own secret desires?

AMERICANS, BE ON YOUR GUARD! THE PRESIDENT IS PREPARING TO STAMPEDE YOU INTO WAR WHEN HE GOES ON THE AIR. REMEMBER YOU ARE BATTLING FOR YOUR HOMES, YOUR SONS, TO GUARD THEM FROM WAR AND SLAUGHTER.

DO NOT LET YOUR GOVERNMENT BETRAY YOU!

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THE statement above, given to German U-boat commander was The New York Daily News by the New York Chapter of the America First Committee and printed in that newspaper on Sept. 9, is reproduced in response to inquiries as to the source of a charge by Secretary of the Navy Knox before the American Legion at Milwaukee.

In that speech, discussing the encounter between the U. S. S. Greer and a German submarine, Col. Knox said, "It offered a chance for that curious organization known as the America First Committee to tell the American public that, in its judgment, it was more likely the

telling the truth than the American Naval officer who commanded the 'Greer.'"

Gen. Robert E. Wood, national chairman of the American First Committee, challenged the Secretary's statement, saying that "the national committee has never made any statement on the subject nor has any such statement to my knowledge been made by anyone representing the committee."

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## America First Leader Assails Lindbergh

By the Associated Press.

OKLAHOMA CITY, Sept. 17.—Herbert K. Hyde, State chairman of the America First Committee, said last night that Charles A. Lindbergh's speech at Des Moines, Iowa, was "un-American."

"Col. Lindbergh's attempt to

divide America into racial or religious groups by making charges against the Jews of America is un-American and should be subjected to the most vicious criticism," Mr. Hyde said. "I am unalterably op-

posed to his views in that respect. . . .

"It's my opinion that he did not reflect the views of the America First Committee in his speech. If he did, then I'm going to get out of the America First Committee."

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## VFW Asks Repudiation Of Lindbergh

Demand for repudiation by the America First Committee of last week's attempt by Charles Lindbergh "to create disunity among the American people" was issued yesterday by the Department of California, Veterans of Foreign Wars.

In a telegram addressed to General Robert Wood, national chairman of the committee, Department Commander L. G. Taggart said:

"Veterans of Foreign Wars, Department of California, demand from you, on behalf of your organization, a complete repudiation of attempt by Lindbergh last Thursday to create religious prejudice, thus deliberately striving for disunity among the American people. This issue is entirely apart from any honest difference of opinion as to our country's foreign policy, and must be viewed by every patriotic citizen as a calculated attack on democratic solidarity of this Nation.

"In spreading doctrines of hate and prejudice, Lindbergh is making a mockery of his American citizenship and of all the privileges for which it stands.

"Failure of America First Committee to disown his statement will give positive evidence of un-Americanism."

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## Alameda Bans America First From Its Halls

The Alameda County Board of Supervisors yesterday adopted a resolution denying use of all county buildings to the America First Committee.

The resolution sustained a protest by the Emeryville Post 1010, Veterans of Foreign Wars, against use of the Oakland city Auditorium for a speech next Monday by Senator Burton K. Wheeler.

Adoption of the resolution followed the mysterious cancellation Monday of the Wheeler speech. At that time R. B. Wurritzer, secretary of the AFC in Oakland notified Oakland city officials that the proposed meeting with Senator Wheeler as speaker would be held "a few days following" (next Monday).

He gave no exact date and no explanation for the delay, even though tickets have been printed and distributed. Wurritzer said he conferred with Wheeler's son, John L. Wheeler, in Los Angeles, and that the son was vague about the delay, saying only he was trying to arrange an engagement for his father on September 25 in the Los Angeles Coliseum.

The resolution by the Alameda Supervisors has little effect on the AFC engagement of the Oakland city Auditorium, according to J. F. Mullins, director of Oakland city buildings. The Supervisors have jurisdiction over county buildings only, and use of the Auditorium is up to the Oakland city administration.

Mullins also said the fee for the Auditorium had been paid by Wurritzer, and that he doubted if public protests in themselves bring about a cancellation.

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## SENATOR WHEELER TO SPEAK HERE DESPITE PROTESTS

U.S. Senator Burton K. Wheeler, leading non-interventionist, will deliver his postponed speech under America First Committee auspices at the Oakland Auditorium Arena on September 25 despite protest resolutions adopted by the Alameda County Board of Supervisors and Emeryville Industrial Post 1010 of the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

The speech was originally scheduled for next Monday but was postponed.

Other developments in the controversy included:

1—John J. Taheny, regional director of the America First Committee for Northern California, denounced Post 1010 as a "war-mongering organization," challenged any Post speaker "to a public debate on the question of whether the America First Committee represents true Americanism," and termed the organization's resolution as "an un-American attempt to deny American citizens their constitutional right of free assembly and of free speech . . ."

### LETTER TO SLAVICH

2—Alameda's Eastbay Navy Post No. 3765, Veterans of Foreign Wars, sent a letter to Mayor John F. Slavich and the Oakland city council protesting the use of the auditorium or any other public building by the America First Committee or any of its speakers such as Wheeler, Lindbergh and other speakers who are trying to cause disunity among our people.

3—R. B. Wurlitzer, executive secretary of the America First Committee in San Francisco promised "new facts and revelations" when Sen. Wheeler delivers his speech here.

Wurlitzer said the meeting would be held "despite efforts of a veterans group to prevent renting of the arena for the purpose."

### BANCROFT TO SPEAK

Wurlitzer said Philip Bancroft, Contra Costa County ranch owner, leading Republican and defeated U.S. senatorial candidate, would be the preliminary speaker at the meeting and Taheny would introduce Senator Wheeler.

Meanwhile, on the letterhead of the Metropolitan Oakland Group of the America First Committee, Frank D. McGrath, chairman of the committee's Northern California executive board, announced that a telegram had been dispatched to President Roosevelt saying in part:

"We . . . demand the return of our armed forces from Iceland; the discontinuance of patrols, and that our ships get out of war zones, thereby complying with the words and the spirit of your pledges."

The supervisors (with George A. Janssen, chairman, and George P. Hellwig, absent) adopted a resolution yesterday denying use of all county buildings to the America First Committee, and endorsing Post 1010's stand.

Post 1010 urged denial of use of buildings to the committee because of its preachments of disunity . . .

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## Portland Reverses Ruling, Allows Wheeler Talk

PORTLAND, Ore., Sept. 17 (C.T. P.S.).—The weight of public opinion on the side of free speech was hailed today as having impelled the Portland's city council surprise decision last night to reverse itself and authorize use of the municipal auditorium for an antiwar speech by Senator Burton K. Wheeler (D.), of Montana, next Monday.

A growing wave of protest over the council's earlier informal decision to deny Senator Wheeler use of the hall had reached such proportions, according to the sponsoring America First Committee, that the council decided against encountering the embarrassments of a public showdown.

### Still Suing School Board

Despite the changed attitude of the city council, America First leaders announced they would continue to press court action against the Portland school board, which on September 16 refused the use of any of the school system's auditoriums for the Wheeler meeting.

"The council is right in reversing itself and is to be commended," said Dellmore Lessard, Oregon State chairman of the America First Committee. "But that does not mean we are going to sit quietly by and let the School Board get away with its intolerable action."

### "Old American Custom"

"Discussion of vital public affairs in school and municipal auditoriums has become a fine, old American custom too dear to surrender, particularly when the issue is over meetings proposed by a Democratic organization trying to keep the nation out of war."

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# HOT WORDS FLY IN E. BAY ROW ON WHEELER TALK

Activities and plans of individuals and organizations displaying lively interest in America's foreign policy included the following today:

Veterans' organizations in Alameda County and the America First Committee—with the support of the American Civil Liberties Union—were squaring off today for a verbal battle tonight at an Oakland City Council meeting. It will be the showdown in a controversy that has been increasing in bitterness for several days over

use of Oakland Municipal Auditorium the night of Sept. 25 for an America First Committee rally at which Senator Burton K. Wheeler, isolationist leader, is to be the principal speaker.

East Bay veteran groups, led by the Veterans of Foreign Wars, will ask that the council set aside a contract providing for use of the auditorium by the America First Committee.

## Sample Row

A sample of what may be expected tonight was displayed today at a meeting of the Alameda County Board of Supervisors when leaders of the opposing groups clashed. The fireworks were touched off when the supervisors refused to rescind their indorsement of a VFW resolution assailing the America First Committee and urging that Alameda County and city officials deny the committee the use of any public buildings.

The resolution charged that the America First Committee "has publicly condemned the President of the United States for performing his legally prescribed duty as Commander-in-chief of the Army and Navy," and that the committee is "agitating against special relations groups and is favor of organizations tending to disrupt unity in the United States."

## Committee Attacks

This resolution was attacked on behalf of the America First Committee by James H. Cavagnaro, who told the supervisors he was a corporation executive, member of the San Francisco Commonwealth Club and a former pilot and flying instructor in the first World War. Mr. Cavagnaro termed the VFW "a political pressure group, unpatriotic, and consisting of men who had done a few months service and have lived off the bounty of the nation ever since."

George A. Jansen, Board of Supervisors chairman, replied that "your remarks are insulting—the VFW and other service groups have the respect of the people of Alameda County and of the nation."

## 'Tools of British'

"They are tools of those interested in British international propaganda," insisted Mr. Cavagnaro, "and represent only about one-quarter of the veterans in the United States. The other three-quarters know they were duped in the last war and refuse to be so abused in this war."

(The American Legion convention at Milwaukee yesterday recommended repeal of the Neutrality Act and removal of all geographical restrictions on use of the U. S. Army and Navy.)

Speaking for the veterans, Francis H. Gonsalves denied Mr. Cavagnaro's charge and declared "most of the veterans are men who had years of service—many of them were hospitalized."

Mr. Gonsalves said the VFW was determined to block use of public buildings "where our children go to school, for public criticism of the President."

"Our children need particular guidance now, and if that sort of thing is permitted, God help the children," said Mr. Gonsalves.

## Members Named

Mr. Cavagnaro mentioned the names of a number of widely known Americans who were members of the America First Committee.

"You omitted Lindbergh," said Supervisor Harry Bartell. "Isn't he a member?"

"Yes," replied Mr. Cavagnaro, "Colonel Lindbergh is a man whose moral courage equals his physical courage. His courage is sufficient to tell the people the real aims of those who are trying to force the United States into war."

Mr. Cavagnaro asked the supervisors if they did not realize they were putting themselves on record against free speech by indorsing the VFW resolution.

## 'Refuse to Do'

"Definitely not," said Chairman Jansen. "The only matter before us is whether we shall rescind our adoption of the VFW resolution. This we refuse to do."

Mr. Cavagnaro said that, inasmuch as the America First Committee has not asked for use of any buildings controlled by the supervisors, "the action of the board must be assumed to be purely for propaganda purposes."

## 'Held a Mockery'

A statement issued by the American Civil Liberties Union termed the board's action "a mockery of the constitutional guarantee of freedom of speech and assembly" by granting it only to supporters of the supervisors' views.

"Such freedom of speech for our side is typical of a totalitarian concept that will be applauded by all the dictators, but which is clearly repugnant to the letter and spirit of the Bill of Rights," the statement added.

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# America First Demand Refused

## Supervisors Won't Rescind Vote on Building Ban Here

Demands of the America First Committee in Oakland for rescinding of a county Board of Supervisors resolution refusing use of county buildings to the committee were turned down today by the board.

The demands of the America First Committee were made by a group headed by James F. Cavagnaro who described himself as a corporation executive, taxpayer in the county, and a former member of the American Legion.

The Board of Supervisors adopted the resolution last Tuesday after Emeryville Post No. 1010, Veterans of Foreign Wars, had expressed itself in opposition to use of county buildings by the America First Committee "because of its preachments of disunity in the United States."

### WAR MONGERING CHARGED

Cavagnaro launched his appeal to the Supervisors with a vitriolic statement in which he declared the board had lent itself to the use of "war mongering British internationalists," and had gone out of its way "to further the purposes of a political pressure group such as the Veterans of Foreign Wars."

"Just a minute brother," interrupted George Janssen, chairman of the Board of Supervisors. "The Veterans organizations are not political pressure groups. They are patriotic Americans who served their country."

Cavagnaro launched another verbal attack upon the veterans, but was halted again, this time by Supervisor Harry Bartell, who declared the board was not interested in a discussion of the relative merits of various organizations.

"And the board does not have to sit here and be insulted by anybody," Janssen said.

### CLIMAX REACHED

After describing at length the purposes of the America First Committee and naming a long list of prominent persons who head its activities, Cavagnaro declared the action of the board was an attack upon free speech and fitted into the scheme of the interventionists who opposed the program of the America First Committee.

The meeting was finally brought to a climax by Chairman Janssen who asked Cavagnaro to be specific about his demands.

"We want you to rescind the resolution," was the reply.

Supervisors Bartell, Clifford Wixson and Thomas Caldecott, three members who formed the majority last Tuesday when the resolution was adopted, indicated they would not change their stand on the issue.

"I'll stand on my action. I see no reason to change my vote," said Bartell.

Janssen then adjourned the meeting, declaring there was no further reason to listen to speeches.

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# Tobey Charges Congress Bows To Roosevelt

## Tells America First Rally President 'Eliminates' Legislature in War Drive

Senator Charles W. Tobey, Republican, of New Hampshire, told an America First Committee rally last night at Carnegie Hall that American security is threatened, not by a foreign enemy but by defection of a rubber-stamp Congress which has surrendered its constitutional responsibilities under the pressure and blandishments of a war-minded President.

Accusing President Roosevelt of ignoring constitutional curbs in attempting to lead the nation into a ruinous war, Senator Tobey asserted: "Fellow Americans, the President has in fact eliminated your Congress just as effectively as a depth bomb puts a submarine out of business."

His anti-war speech at the rally called to honor Constitution Day was broadcast from 8 to 9:30 p. m. by Station WJZ and the blue network of the National Broadcasting Company, and at the end he pleaded with the American people to wake up, limit their armament to an impregnable defense, and resist the President's alleged campaign toward war.

"Hopes" Roosevelt Listen In  
 Then he added a final sentence to the speech he had prepared. "I only hope," said Senator Tobey, "that Franklin Delano Roosevelt and his wife are listening in to this speech tonight."

Senator Tobey told the near-capacity audience that from the beginning of his first administration up to the present, Mr. Roosevelt has "outed the Constitution, adding, "The latest maneuver of this master of a 'free' people was accomplished in his last radio talk, in which he announced the issuance of orders to the Atlantic fleet to 'eliminate' the submarines, but his radio talk went much farther even than that. By that talk the President eliminated the Congress along with the submarine."

Senator Tobey, a member of the Senate subcommittee investigating alleged war propaganda in the motion-picture field, charged that the American film industry "has been deceived" that the British film industry owes it millions of dollars. "It is obvious that they have a

reason for wanting us to get into the war," he said. "Million-dollar investments have to be protected."

America's only clear duty, he said, is to arm itself strongly enough to discourage and defeat any European attack on the Western Hemisphere, and he charged that the President and such interventionists as Wendell L. Willkie were working against the people's interest.

"Can the President and Mr. Willkie," he asked, "successfully jeopardize the well being and the very lives of the American people on the assurance of . . . Harry Hopkins, that 'The people are too damned dumb to understand'?"

During the rally, John T. Flynn, chairman of the New York Chapter of America First, was asked whether he planned to repudiate Charles A. Lindbergh's America First speech of last week in Des Moines, ascribing to the nation's Jews the desire to get the country into the war. He was also asked about a rumor that America First in New York planned to campaign vigorously against the re-election of Mayor F. H. LaGuardia, an interventionist.

Mr. Flynn answered that a national executive committee meeting of America First in Chicago today "may" take up both questions.

### Tobey Is Heckled

When Senator Tobey began to speak, a voice in the rear began to heckle. Another voice objected to the heckling, and in a second two men were slugging each other. Senator Tobey went right on, while the police ejected the two men. Arguments in the lobby and on the sidewalk in front followed, and finally both men went to the West Fifty-fourth Street police station. Neither pressed charges, and the matter was dropped. One said he was Coleman Gray, a lawyer, and the other said he was George Smith, a bodyguard to Mr. Lindbergh, who was not at the meeting.

Before the rally started, representatives of the Non-Sectarian Anti-Nazi League distributed leaflets attacking America First as a group advocating peace with Hitler. With each leaflet was a page bearing the two words: "Hell Lindbergh." Two of the distributors wore imitation Ku-Klux Klan robes, and one an imitation German-American Bund uniform. These three were shooed away from the hall and sent to Broadway and Fifty-seventh Street.

The other speaker at the rally was Representative William B. Barry, Democrat, of the 2d New York District. He said he feared loss of both democracy and prosperity if the President persisted in a drift toward war in violation of the constitutional means of declaring war.

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## Jewish Groups Denounce Lindbergh Iowa Speech

By the Associated Press.

NEW YORK, Sept. 19.—The American Jewish Committee and the Jewish Labor Committee, denouncing Charles A. Lindbergh's Des Moines speech, asserted last night in a joint statement that "our interests and those of our country are one and indivisible."

Declaring that Mr. Lindbergh "made an unsupported and unsupported charge impugning the patriotism of Americans of Jewish faith," the statement said:

"As individuals, each one of us has a right to his views, whether

for or against isolationism, without fear that Mr. Lindbergh can intimidate any of us with the low and baseless charge that there are other 'interests' which we place ahead of loyalty to our country.

"In fact, Mr. Lindbergh, in order to secure converts for his own point of view, counsels that we should do just that. He warns Jews to support his policy on the ground that any other attitude would lead to anti-Semitism.

"We are obliged to Mr. Lindbergh for his gratuitous advice and reject completely his un-American appeal to selfish interest. We will not put even what he considers our 'interests' before those of our country—since our interests and those of our country are one and indivisible."

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## America First Discusses Roosevelt's Navy Order

By the Associated Press.

CHICAGO, Sept. 18.—Members of the National Executive Committee of the America First Committee were summoned to a meeting today by Chairman Gen. Robert E. Wood to discuss President Roosevelt's recent speech regarding naval operations.

A spokesman at the organization's national headquarters said Charles A. Lindbergh's Des Moines speech also might be brought into the discussion.

No mention of the Lindbergh speech was made, however, in Gen. Wood's communication to committee members concerning today's meeting, an executive session.

Although America First has made

no official comment on Mr. Lindbergh's speech, it was termed "Un-American" by Herbert K. Hyde, Oklahoma State chairman of the organization. Mr. Hyde expressed the opinion that Mr. Lindbergh's "attempt to divide America into racial or religious groups by making charges against the Jews" did not reflect the view of the America First Committee.

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# Council Asks Legal Opinion

## Question as to Use Of Auditorium Put Up to City Attorney

After listening for nearly an hour to speakers representing both sides of the controversy over whether or not the America First Committee should be permitted the use of the Oakland Auditorium for a meeting next Thursday night, the Oakland City Council last night referred the question to the city attorney and city manager for decision.

City Attorney F. Bert Fernhoff in an interview said that it was his opinion that the city did not have sufficient grounds for canceling a contract for use of the Auditorium which was signed on September 10, and a \$200 fee paid.

### 'STRICTLY LEGAL QUESTION'

"I personally do not believe in the doctrine of the America First Committee," Fernhoff said. "However, this is strictly a legal question, and not a question of beliefs or freedom of speech. The contract has been signed and there are no grounds for cancelling it without subjecting the city to possible damage suit."

Fernhoff cited decisions of the U. S. Supreme Court to this effect, including the celebrated "Hague case" in New Jersey, in which the Supreme Court upheld the right of Congress of Industrial Organizations to hold a meeting in Jersey City, despite an edict from Mayor Frank Hague forbidding the meeting.

Fernhoff was not present at the council meeting, but was represented by Assistant City Attorney Elton Melby, at whose suggestion the matter was referred to the city attorney's office.

First of a series of speakers before the council was Francis H. Gonsalves, chaplain of Post 1310 of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, who spoke in support of the petition of the County Council of the V.F.W. in opposition to granting use of the Auditorium to the America First group.

### OTHER SPEAKERS

Other speakers representing the V.F.W. included Louis L. Jordan, and Phil O. Solon, Judge Advocate General of the U. S. Department of the veterans' organization. Both challenged the right of the America First Committee to use the Auditorium.

Representing the America First Committee were George T. Lohr, vice-chairman of the Oakland Chapter; John J. Taheny, regional director, and Guy M. Wright, chairman of the Oakland Chapter.

Lohr declared that denial of the use of the building would be a violation of the First Amendment to the Constitution of the United States. He named a lengthy list of prominent Americans who were members of the committee, and cited the aims of the committee.

Taheny added a plea for freedom of speech.

Speakers supporting the America First Committee included Mrs. Jane Jacoby and Harold A. Sparling.

Others from among the spectators sought the floor in a babel of voices but Mayor John F. Slavich declared that the council was thoroughly familiar with the question at that point, and proceeded with a roll call vote on adjournment after referring the matter to the city attorney and city manager.

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# AMERICA FIRST SILENT ON STORM OVER LINDBERGH

## Wave of Protest Against Flier's Attack on Jews Is Growing.

BY FRANK SMOTHERS.

All was silent today at headquarters of America First over the storm created by Charles A. Lindbergh's Des Moines attack upon the Jews.

All was silent—at headquarters—concerning results of the deliberation its national executive committee devoted here yesterday to Lindbergh's blast.

It was stated officially that the Lindbergh Des Moines speech was discussed by the committee—and that a statement would be issued "within a few days."

That this statement will not repudiate Lindbergh or his speech was indicated by John T. Flynn, chairman of the New York chapter, one of the conferees. He said today that no resolution to that effect was considered by the committee.

Seven days already have elapsed since Lindbergh made the speech. The nation-wide wave of protest that has grown during those days against the attack he then made upon the Jewish people for "pressing this country," as he claimed, "toward war," continued to mount today.

### More Time Required.

The America First Committee, which sponsored the address, however, required more time to issue its reply to formal requests that it tell where it stands on Lindbergh.

The foremost report away from America First headquarters at this writing is that the committee drafted a statement asserting that Lindbergh's speech was not "anti-Semitic," endorsing the speech and inviting Jews to co-operate with America First in its isolationist cause.

In New York Flynn denied reports published in the East that he came to Chicago to demand repudiation of the speech. He denied that he made such a demand or "that I made any threats to quit as a member of the committee."

### 'Discussing a Draft.'

Flynn said that when he left the meeting at 6 p. m. yesterday to return to New York the committee was "still discussing a draft" of a resolution on Lindbergh, and that it was decided to take a vote on it by mail as "less than half of the members of the national committee were present."

That was the only light shed on the committee's action on Lindbergh. America First has not even revealed the names of the committeemen present. It is understood that Lindbergh was not here. Presumably Brig. Gen. Robert E. Wood, retired, national chairman, presided.

Meantime—among new rebukes to Lindbergh—the Illinois Federation of Labor, in convention at Springfield, condemned his speech

as anti-Semitic. There was only one dissenting vote.

The New Jersey grand domain of the Knights of Pythias adopted a resolution advocating a Senate investigation of the aviator's doings.

In New York the America Jewish Congress and Jewish Labor Committee issued a joint statement denouncing his speech.

The statement asserts the right of each to his views for or against isolationism "without fear that Mr. Lindbergh can intimidate any of us with the low and baseless charge that there are other 'interests' which we place above loyalty to our country." After declaring that Lindbergh "warns Jews to support his policy on the ground that any other attitude would lead to anti-Semitism," it concludes:

"We will not put even what he considers our 'interest' before those of our country—since our interests and those of our country are one and indivisible."

On the floor of the House in Washington today Representative Luther Patrick (Dem., Ala.), assailing the flier's attack upon the Jews, brandished a copy of Hitler's "Mein Kampf" and said "it sounds just like Lindbergh."

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## AMERICA FIRST TELLS PLAN TO INTENSIFY DRIVE

The national committee of the America First committee, after meeting for several hours yesterday, announced thru R. Douglas Stuart Jr., national director, that it was engaged in mapping an intensified campaign to keep the United States out of war.

Douglas also said that the committee would shortly issue a statement commenting upon Col. Charles A. Lindbergh's recent address in Des Moines, Ia.

Douglas' statement: "The national America First committee met in Chicago today to discuss an intensified campaign in answer to the President's threat of an undeclared war in violation of the constitution. Col. Lindbergh's Des Moines address was discussed, and the national committee will issue a statement within a few days."

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# America First Wins in Battle for Oakland Hall

## Auditorium Can't Be Denied for Wheeler Talk, Attorney Rules

Oakland's city attorney, F. Bert of their lease on the auditorium Fernhoff, ruled yesterday that for the night of the Wheeler address would be an abrogation of its civic auditorium to the the constitutional right of free America First Committee for a speech and free assembly. speech by Senator Burton K. Wheeler next Thursday night. V. F. W. spokesmen held that use of the publicly owned building for the Wheeler appearance would constitute a hazard to public peace and spread disunity at a time of national emergency.

The decision ended a controversy which produced acrimonious debate Thursday when representatives of the America First group and the Veterans of Foreign Wars appeared before sessions of the Alameda county supervisors and the Oakland city council. In giving his decision in favor of the America First group, Fernhoff said the city had entered into the lease, accepted the rental and could not question who should or should not use a public building.

Members of the America First Committee held that abrogation

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## Lindbergh to Speak In Capital on Sept. 22

The America First Committee announced yesterday that Charles A. Lindbergh will speak in Washington under its auspices on September 27 at 9:15 p. m. E. S. T. His address is to be nationally broadcast, the organization said.

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# Lindbergh in new talk for America First

In the midst of a nationwide controversy over anti-Semitic portions of Charles A. Lindbergh's Des Moines speech, the America First committee announced yesterday it is sponsoring another address by Lindbergh at Fort Wayne, Ind., on Oct. 3.

National headquarters of the committee said arrangements for the Fort Wayne speech have been under way since August and will not be affected by the criticism of Lindbergh's last address. Announcement was made upon completion of arrangements with Lindbergh on the date and place.

## ORGANIZATIONS COMMENT

The America First announcement drew quick reaction from aid-to-Britain organizations. The Fight for Freedom committee is holding a rally in Orchestra hall on Oct. 3, at which one of the speakers will be Lindbergh's cousin, Augustus F. Lindbergh, who is Alabama state chairman of Fight for Freedom.

Courtenay Barber Jr., acting director of the Fight for Freedom committee, said:

"If it is true that ex-Col. Lindbergh is to speak for America First at Fort Wayne, Ind., on Oct. 3, it substantiates beyond all reasonable doubt the executive committee's condemnation of Lindbergh's Des Moines anti-Semitic speech."

## 'SHOULD RESIGN'

"The silence of the America First committee has so far been tantamount to approval, but the announcement of his forthcoming

The outstanding and self-respecting members of America First should resign and leave the committee to the Bundists, Silver Shirts, anti-Semites and their fellow travelers.

"Fight for Freedom will continue to combat America First for the un-American utterance of their spokesmen such as Lindbergh, Wheeler, Nye, Fish and their supporters on the executive committee."

Harland H. Allen, chairman of the Chicago Committee to Defend America, said: "It seems to me Lindbergh said enough that other times to reveal what is on his mind—that he is a Fascist at heart."

R. Douglas Stuart Jr., national director of the America First committee, declined to comment on the new announcement.

## NONE TO EDIT SPEECH

A spokesman for the committee said none of the members will edit the speech. Approval of the members of the national committee was not necessary, the spokesman said, and arrangements for all speeches are handled by the committee chairman and the head of the speaker's bureau.

The executive committee of the isolationist group met last Thurs-



Charles A. Lindbergh

day and considered Lindbergh's Des Moines remarks. A mail referendum of America First leaders throughout the country was ordered, and an announcement of the committee's stand on Lindbergh's statements is expected within a few days.

## LEAGUE RAPS SPEECH

The latest castigation of Lindbergh for "defamatory" charges against American Jews came yesterday from the Anti-Defamation League. The league protested that Lindbergh's statements are "unfounded in fact and un-American."

"The loyalty of the Jews to America and its traditions dates back to the revolutionary period and is a recognized fact throughout American history," said the league statement.

"It cannot be challenged by reckless, irresponsible or propagandist statements. Whatever be the future course of America in this world conflict, the Jew will be found

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# **AMERICA FIRST RALLY TONIGHT ON NORTH SHORE**

John W. Maselter of the America First committee speakers' bureau will address a meeting of the Wilmette-Kenilworth chapter of America First at 8 p. m. this evening in the Howard school auditorium, 1701 Spencer avenue, Wilmette. The Christopher Columbus chapter of the America First committee, composed of 11 different nationalities, will hold an antiwar massmeeting at 8 p. m. Thursday in the Marshfield auditorium, 735 South Marshfield avenue. The speaker will be the Rev. John A. O'Brien of Notre Dame university.

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## Wheeler Will Speak. At Auditorium Here

Sen. Burton K. Wheeler of Montana will speak against American entry into the war Thursday at 8 p.m. at the Municipal Auditorium under the auspices of the America First Committee.

Phillip Bancroft, former senatorial candidate, will be a preliminary speaker on the program, according to the committee. The speakers will be introduced by John J. Tahany, attorney.

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# She's Telling Us, Et AL

To the Editor: Now are you not glad that you at last have a chance to blister Colonel Lindbergh? What an opportunity. He had the courage to get up and tell the truth: that the Jews are trying to destroy our country as they did in Russia by killing millions of Christians, then tried to seize the German government but did not succeed. Now they are trying the same thing here but they are not fooling all of us with their cries of "unity" and "brotherly love."

Your paper is Jewish controlled and that is why you are so in favor of war. The British and the Jews, they chose to lick Hitler at the expense of our boys and our American blood.

Every time trouble arose at an America First meeting, it was started by the Jews. I suppose you call this free speech? Well, go ahead with your smear campaign and see where it gets you. It will only make you cheaper and cheaper in the eyes of the clear thinking citizens. When the war is over, and all the hate and the war mongering dies down, you can tell us how large a debt we can pay for the British. You will then take Colonel Lindbergh off the dusty shelf and put him in the brackets with the "higher uppers" because every word he says will come to pass.

Mr. Lindbergh is the bravest man in this country. To withstand insults by papers of your standard proves this.

If you so desperately believe that the Jews should be treated fairly, why do you not stop persecuting your gentle brothers? Practice what you preach instead of hammering away on a worn-out and very un-Christian, unkind, untrue and belittling idea?

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## Kenneth Roberts Hits Use Of Name by 'America First'

Kenneth Roberts, noted author, today wrote to the Maine America First Committee that the use of his name as a member of that organization was unauthorized and adding that the only thing the committee can accomplish is the lowering of morale. His letter follows:

"The use of my name, in the Press-Herald of Sept. 18, as a member of the Maine America First Committee, was unauthorized.

"This country, by the President's last statement, is definitely committed to war, and about the only thing the America First Committee can accomplish is to lower the morale of the army and the nation. I certainly don't propose to be a member of any organization or a party to any program that has as one of its primary objectives the lowering of morale at a time when we've got to raise it or take a beating."

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## Lindy's Talk Here Delayed

The America First Committee's plans to have Charles A. Lindbergh speak over a coast-to-coast network from Riverside Stadium here Saturday night have been postponed, it was announced yesterday. He is expected to speak here at a later date.

Officials of national headquarters of the organization in Chicago announced that the speech was postponed so that Lindbergh might talk in Fort Wayne, Ind., on October 3.

A spokesman of the Chicago office added: "Mr. Lindbergh didn't want to make two speeches so close together. He will speak under the auspices of our Fort Wayne Chapter October 3. The other speech will be made at a later date."

Lindbergh's talk was to have been broadcast over the Columbia Broadcasting System from 9:15 to 9:30 p.m. Saturday until the network's New York offices announced the cancellation of the speech early yesterday.

A member of the local chapter of the America First Committee said he had no knowledge of the scheduled speech, but said a rally had been planned for Riverside Stadium on Saturday. Plans for the rally also have been dropped.

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# **Lindbergh Broadcast Here Is Canceled**

CHICAGO, Sept. 23 (AP).—National headquarters of the America First Committee has announced that Charles A. Lindbergh had canceled a broadcast scheduled for Saturday over the Columbia Broadcasting System from Washington in favor of a speech before a committee-sponsored rally in Fort Wayne, Ind., October 3.

"Col. Lindbergh doesn't want to make two speeches so close together," a spokesman said. "We applied for radio time from Washington when three sites were under consideration for the address. Later it was decided that the speech would be given in Fort Wayne."

He said no arrangements had yet been made for a broadcast of the Fort Wayne speech.



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## America First Rally Guarded By 423 Police

### Nye Accuses Willkie of Stirring Anti-Semitic Antagonism.

NEW YORK, Sept. 22.—(AP)—Senator Gerald P. Nye, Republican, North Dakota, tonight accused Wendell Willkie and interventionists of "dragging into this war controversy that cheap, wholly un-American issue called anti-Semitism."

Speaking before an America First Committee rally in Brooklyn guarded by 423 policemen, the isolationist senator said in his prepared speech that "this attempt to paint the cause of nonintervention as an anti-Semitic cause has been about the meanest, smallest, rat-like thing that I have ever experienced in my contact with American politics."

"No one has contributed to the dragging of this red-herring into this controversy so largely as has one Wendell Willkie—the 'Me too' man of the 1940 presidential campaign—the man who helped arrange things so that there could be no chance in that presidential campaign for the American people to voice themselves clearly and openly in this issue of intervention," Nye said. "Mr. Willkie has done his utmost to smear the cause of nonintervention with this anti-Semitic stick."

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## O'BRIEN WILL SPEAK THURSDAY AT RALLY OF AMERICA FIRST

The Rev. John A. O'Brien, professor at the University of Notre Dame, will speak Thursday night at an anti-war rally in Marshfield auditorium, 735 South Marshfield avenue. Mrs. Janet Ayer Fairbank, national vice chairman of the American First committee, will preside at the meeting which is sponsored by the Christopher Columbus chapter of America First. The Rev. Mr. O'Brien, speaking last Thursday in Cincinnati, told an audience that Americans still have a chance to preserve their democracy and stay clear of the European war if they continue to protest.

America First officials explained yesterday that a broadcast by Charles A. Lindbergh, scheduled from Washington, D. C., on Saturday over the Columbia Broadcasting system, had been canceled to allow Lindbergh to speak at a rally in Fort Wayne, Ind., Oct. 3. When CBS could not switch the Saturday broadcast to the Fort Wayne meeting, America First officials said, they canceled the broadcast time. They said that they hoped to put on the Washington broadcast later.

# 'AMERICA FIRST' STILL SILENT ON LINDBERGH VIEWS

**Sponsors New Speech by  
Flier, Despite Protests  
Over Anti-Semitism**

BY FRANK SMOTHERS.

The America First Committee is having slow going in its preparations for announcing its attitude toward Charles A. Lindbergh's Des Moines speech attacking the Jews.

A statement—presumably upholding Lindbergh, whose forthcoming addresses continue to enjoy America First sponsorship—is expected to be made public "in a few days."

Five days, however, already have passed since the statement was drafted at a meeting of America First's national executive committee in Chicago last week. Twelve days have elapsed since Lindbergh provoked a nation-wide storm by his blast at the Jews of America.

**Few Replies on Issue.**

It is confirmed at America First headquarters that copies of the statement were mailed after the meeting to members of the national committee who had not been able to attend. There are some 30 members of the committee, less than half of whom are understood to have been on hand at the Chicago parley.

Only "three or four" replies from members thus polled by mail on the statement have been received to date, it was said at headquarters.

A spokesman for the committee declined to say whether any member had asked that America First withdraw its backing from Lindbergh.

**Speech Cancellation Explained.**

It was made clear, however, that the cancellation of an address Lindbergh had been scheduled to make for the committee Saturday over the Columbia Broadcasting System involved not the slightest change of front by America First toward the aviator.

That talk was merely canceled in favor of another speech before an America First rally in Fort Wayne, Ind., Oct. 3, a spokesman said.

"Col. Lindbergh does not want to make two speeches so close together," he said. "He applied for a second speech in Washington when he was in the city."

anti-Semitic speech, was this statement by Max Singer of Boston, national commander of the Veterans of Foreign Wars:

"I condemn the statements of Charles A. Lindbergh as an appeal to racial prejudice to bolster his untenable position on national defense in this emergency. Instead of unity for victory, so essential at this time, Lindbergh preaches a doctrine that is the negation of Americanism, which must be gratifying to Hitler."

Meantime in Seattle, Wash., State Commander John L. Slavenburg of the V. F. W., said the organization would conduct a "nonviolent" demonstration against Senator Burton K. Wheeler if the Montana isolationist speaks there tonight.

Whether the Wheeler meeting, under the auspices of America First, would be held, was in doubt. Dispatches explained that after the Fraternal Order of Eagles in Seattle rented its hall for the rally, Conrad Mann of Kansas City, national man-

aging organizer of the lodge, ordered the fee returned to the isolationists and the hall closed to their meeting. It was not clear whether the local lodge would comply.

**Nye Defends Lindbergh.**

Headliner at an America First rally in Brooklyn last night was Senator Gerald P. Nye, North Dakota Republican, father of the Senate subcommittee's investigation of "war propaganda" in the movies, who recently declared that "foreign-born" magnates "of the Jewish faith" were primarily responsible for "propaganda" in the films. Said Nye in Brooklyn:

"There is not a shred of anti-Semitic spirit in the mind and heart of Charles A. Lindbergh or Senator Burton K. Wheeler," Nye

said last night. His own record, stated Nye, was contrary to any such thing as anti-Semitism.

"Nye has been playing with fire for a long time, and now he's surprised that he is getting burned," was a summary by F. H. Peter Cusick, executive secretary of Fight for Freedom, Inc.

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## Lindbergh Broadcast Here Off Because of 'Conflict'

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# Senator Nye Assails Willkie on Issue Of Anti-Semitism

423 Police Guard Rally  
In Brooklyn; President's  
Navy Order Condemned

By the Associated Press.

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"Racial prejudice has brought to Europe consequences we cannot escape seeing. If we are going to adopt racial prejudice in our American thinking and planning we only contribute to the bringing of that experience, which has befallen others, to our own country."

The meeting, attended by about 3,000, was orderly and police reported no incidents outside the building.

Former Magistrate Joseph Goldstein, who said earlier in the day that he would arrest Senator Nye if he indorsed anti-Semitic sentiments, sat in the audience flanked by detectives and took no part in the proceedings. Mr. Goldstein, who had declared he would act under summary-arrest right, said such remarks by the Senator would be "paving the way to riot."

The meeting adopted a resolution commending the President's "shoot on sight" orders to warships and protesting against convoys and aid to Russia.

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## BERKELEY COUNCIL TABLES BAN ON 'AMERICA FIRST'

BERKELEY, Sept. 23.—A motion to deny the use of public buildings to the America First committee failed for want of a second today at the Berkeley City Council meeting.

The motion was made by Councilman Frank Berg after such action was requested by Campanile Post No. 408, American Legion.

The Legion post asked that the council ban the non-interventionist organization from "all buildings under council jurisdiction and said that a similar request would be made of the Board of Education.

### SENT TO CONFERENCE

Councilman Richard French got a second to his motion to refer the matter to conference committee and his motion was adopted with negative votes by Berg and Councilman Arthur Harris. Harris explained his belief that "such issues should be settled in open session if no research is needed, as in this case."

The question was reopened on motion of Councilman Edward Martin and Councilman Berg again moved to deny the use of public buildings to the American First Committee. Again it failed for want of a second.

### ACTION PROVES SURPRISE

Berg expressed surprise that Harris had not seconded the motion, and Harris explained he did not agree with all of the content of the motion.

After discussion about the fact there was now no application before the council, Councilman Martin moved to table the matter until such application was made. This was carried over negative votes by Berg and Mrs. Carrie Hoyt, acting Mayor, who said she was ready to vote on the matter then.

The council postponed for one week action on a petition for revocation of a building permit for construction of a triplex at 2617 Wood Street, granted Peter Anderson.

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The committee could not be  
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## 'First' Asks Farmers to Fight War

Sixty Illinois and Indiana chairmen of the America First Committee called upon the American farmer to enlist in the anti-war cause and assert himself on the administration's foreign policy at a meeting last night in Chicago chapter headquarters at 122 S. Michigan av.

Delegates from scattered rural areas joined Leslie Hinkle, chairman of the Kankakee chapter, in the assertion that the "stronghold of our strength in Illinois is the farmer, who is able to think independently."

P. R. Fredericks, Crystal Lake representative, told the meeting that "the farmer is overwhelmingly in favor of the policy of the America First Committee." He said he had enlisted 141 new members during the day.

Mrs. Janet Ayer Fairbank, national vice chairman of the committee, presided at the meeting. She announced that a capacity crowd is expected at a rally tomorrow night at 746 S. Loomis st., at which Rev. John A. O'Brien of Notre Dame University will speak.

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## **NYE ARRIVES IN HUB THIS MORNING**

Senator Gerald P. Nye, noted non-interventionist, who will be principal speaker tonight at the America First Committee anti-war rally at Mechanics Building, will arrive this morning at South Station and will be met by City Greeter Louis J. Brems and the heads of the Boston chapter of the America First Committee.

Also scheduled to arrive this morning is former Senator Rush D. Holt of West Virginia, who is likewise to address the rally.

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# Clash on War Policy

## Kearnyans Taking Sides

**KEARNY**—A feud over possible United States participation in the European war that threatens to boil over and engulf the whole of Kearny gained momentum yesterday as the 19-year-old leader of the

America First Committee and the 72-year-old chieftain of Fight for Freedom, Inc., girded their forces to defeat each other.

Heading toward a rip-roaring battle, the former is Allan Hartley, son of Congressman Fred A. Hartley, Jr., and his opponent is John C. Allen, who came here 10 years ago from South America.

With the sanction of the town council, the battle to enlist adherents to their respective causes will get under way in earnest shortly with rallies and importation of nationally known speakers.

Already, opposing sides are forming, with business men, workers and housewives being called upon to express themselves on how Uncle Sam should treat Hitler and the war abroad.

### ANXIOUS FOR ACTION

Both sides are anxious for action. On Wednesday, the Kearny mayor and council granted applications to Hartley and Allen for permission to hold branch meetings in the council chamber.

The American First Committee stands for limited aid to Great Britain and no involvement for the United States. The Fight For Freedom organization is outspokenly in favor of defeating Hitler—even if it means the United States must fight.

Young Hartley sat down behind the desk in his dad's study yesterday and explained why he had thrown his adolescent lot in with Col. Lindbergh's America First Committee.

Hartley, who will be 20 in October, has some very definite views on the stand that the United States has taken in Europe's war, and, he insisted, "these ideas are the result of my own reasoning." Then he added reflectively: "Perhaps I understand it better because of dad."

Young Hartley said he had made up his mind that the America First Committee was on the right track from what he had read in newspapers, heard on the radio and seen in the movies.

be in on an epic-establishing event.

Allen lived in South America from 1891 until he came here. He said he has seen German agents at work and he fears for the United States if something is not done at once to stop them. According to his belief, the United States should contribute as generously as it can to Great Britain as a protection to us. "Hitler," he said when interviewed yesterday at his home at 854 Kearny ave., "will have to be stopped on European soil or else he will be over here with his bombers as soon as he coordinates his European conquests."

Hartley has mapped out a program which is to be built up gradually, and then conclude with a huge rally in the high school auditorium with Ham Fish as the main speaker. Allen, however, has promised to meet all competition and will have someone from the national headquarters to top anyone Hartley cares to bring into the arena.

Both want a fair battle with "no politics" involved. Furthermore, they agree on one issue—they boast of their Americanism and insist that the best interest of the country are their only quarrel.

"We have but one organization," he said, "and that is to keep America out of war. A great many people are of the opinion that we do not want supplies sent to the English. That is not true. We do want to give the British all we can, but never at the expense of dissipating our own defense materials or at the risk of becoming involved in the war ourselves."

While young Hartley feels that Hitler is the enemy of the United States, the opinions expressed by President Roosevelt, he said, do not represent the full feeling of the American people.

"We in the America First Committee realize that there are Fifth Columnists in the United States and in South America," he said. "We should restrict our efforts to cleaning up subversive elements in this hemisphere."

### IF NAZIS WIN?

To the time-battered question: "Suppose the Nazis win over both Russia and Great Britain, then what?" Hartley had a ready answer.

"If Hitler conquers all Europe we will not have to fight him. There is no means by which an American army and the German forces could meet. It would be a stalemate. If an economic war develops we can survive it."

Young Hartley said he would not follow his father into politics.

He is a gag cartoonist and contributes to magazines.

His executive committee in the Kearny branch of the Newark American First Committee is composed entirely of young people. The oldest is William McCurdy, 27. Other members are Miss Hermine Peppinger, 19; Patrick Connolly, 20; Vincent Capobianco, 19, and James Oakes, 20.

Young Hartley said that the group was started originally as a youth movement but, because of the response given it by adults, it has been given a thoroughly mature status. He estimated the present membership at 300.

### WILL INVITE DEBATE

Since the previously clear horizon of his organization has become clouded by the appearance in Kearny of an opponent, Fight for Freedom, Inc., young Allen is virtually bursting with antagonistic enterprise. He said that he will challenge the local F. for F. organizer to a debate.

If Allen should accept the challenge, the people of Kearny should

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## Youth Challenges Age to War Debate



Allan Hartley, son of the Isolationist Congressman, Fred A. Hartley, Jr., is shown at left working for the America First Committee, after he offered to debate John C. Allen (right), Kearny's head of Fight for Freedom, Inc.

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**WARNS WORLD  
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For the United States to join a world-wide federal union of nations would be to surrender the rights won by Washington and the Declaration of Independence. This assertion was made last night by John W. Maselter, a speaker for the America First committee, in a debate with Julian J. Steen, president of the Chicago School of Adults.

They spoke in the Hamilton hotel at a meeting sponsored by the Chicago Institute of Public Debate. Steen urged that America enter a union of world democracies as a practical step to insure peace. Maselter replied that America stood to lose by such a partnership.

The debating institute will hold another meeting in the hotel tonight. The speakers will be Dean W. F. Clarke of the De Paul university law school and Prof. Maynard C. Krueger of the University of Chicago. They will discuss the question of war or peace for America.

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## State Unit of America First Attacks F.D.R.

Telegrams charging that President Roosevelt's "indirect authorizing of convoying and his ordering of naval war" were part of a preconceived plan to multiply the incidents which will lead to war have been sent to all California legislators in Washington by the Northern California headquarters of the America First Committee.

The wires, which were signed by John J. Taheny, committee regional director, said it is "ridiculous to assume that Germany now seeks war with the United States" and ask that legislation be enacted to "curb the President's crude attempt to circumvent the constitutional powers of Congress."

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## Veterans Oppose America First Rally in Public Buildings Here

Opposition to use of public buildings in the City of Oakland and the County of Alameda by the America First Committee, "because of its preachments of disunity," was voiced by Emeryville Industrial Post No. 1010, Veterans of Foreign Wars.

The America First Committee has made arrangements to hold a rally in the Oakland Municipal Auditorium on the night of September 22. Senator Burkton, K. Wheeler is scheduled to be one of the principal speakers, according to preliminary announcements.

Scheduling of dates for meetings in the Auditorium and the Exposition Building are handled by J. F. Mullins, director of the buildings, according to city officials.

### UNANIMOUS ACTION

Members of Post No. 1010 voted unanimously at their last meeting to forward a resolution to city and county officials, asking them to oppose the use of public buildings by the committee.

The resolution cited the denial of use of such buildings in San Francisco, Portland and other cities in the United States.

The text of the resolution follows:

"Whereas, the America First Committee, because of its preachments of disunity, has been denied the use of public buildings in the City and County of San Francisco, the City of Portland, Oregon, and in other communities of the United States,

"And whereas, the America First Committee proposes to hold a public meeting in Oakland California,

### OPPOSITION ASKED

"Therefore, be it resolved, that Emeryville Industrial Post No. 1010, Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, do respectfully request all Alameda County municipal and county officers to oppose the use of all public buildings for meetings of the America First Committee, and

"Be it further resolved, that a copy of this resolution be sent to the press, City Council of the City of Oakland, and to the Alameda County Board of Supervisors.

"(Signed) GEORGE T. CANOIA,  
 "Commander.

"HIRAM W. WINN, Adjutant."

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*R. M. Fisher*

## N. Y. Police Guard America First Offices.

NEW YORK, Sept. 15 (C.T.P. S.).—Police tonight were engaged in routine investigation and protection measures in the wake of a week-end display of hoodlums who hurled bricks through the windows of three branch offices of the America First Committee. The window smashing brought an immediate protest and report to police from the New York chapter of the antiwar committee.

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# America First Denied Use Of Buildings

## Supervisors' Action Affects Address Of Senator Wheeler

The Alameda County Board of Supervisors today adopted a resolution denying the use of all county buildings to the America First Committee.

The action came at the same time that the committee announced that a scheduled meeting in the Oakland Municipal Auditorium, at which Senator Burton K. Wheeler was to have spoken Monday night, had been postponed indefinitely.

The motion opening the resolution before the Supervisors was made by Clifford Wixson and seconded by Harry Bartell. They and Thomas Caldecott were the three Supervisors present.

### JANSSEN IN L.A.

George A. Janssen, chairman of the board, is in Los Angeles on official business, and George P. Hellwig, the other member, officially is on vacation.

In passing the resolution, the Supervisors endorsed a request by Emeryville Industrial Post No. 1010, Veterans of Foreign Wars, that no public buildings be made available for the America First Meeting.

The veterans objected to the meeting in a public building of the America First group "because of its breachments of disunity."

### RENTAL FEE ACCEPTED

J. F. Mullins, director of city buildings, however, said that the fee for the auditorium arena had been paid by R. B. Wurlitzer, secretary of the America First Committee in San Francisco, and a binding contract entered into. He said he doubted whether the public protests could in themselves bring a cancellation.

Wurlitzer said that the meeting with Senator Wheeler as speaker would be held "a few days following," but could give no exact date. Neither could he explain the delay, as tickets for the meeting have been printed and distributed.

Wurlitzer said that he conferred with the senator's son, John L. Wheeler, last week in Los Angeles, and the son was vague as to the delay.

### WANT L.A. DATE

The younger Wheeler was attempting to arrange a speaking engagement for his father for September 25 in the Los Angeles Coliseum, Wurlitzer said.

The protest of the Emeryville V.F.W. post, meanwhile, was echoed in a resolution from headquarters of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, in San Francisco. The communication, signed by Francis H. Gonsalves, secretary, said:

"Whereas, the America First Committee under the false pretense of exercising the right of free speech is endeavoring, through the use of the press and the public platform to create disunity of thought among the American people in these critical times of world war, and

### REFUSAL URGED

"Whereas, the said organization has publicly condemned the President of the United States for performing his plain duty as Commander-in-Chief of the United States Army and Navy, and

"Whereas, said organization has been refused the use of public buildings for public assemblages in San Francisco, Portland, Ore., and other large American cities,

"Be it resolved, by the 10th District, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Breakfast Club, that it urge all municipal and county officers and boards to refuse the America First Committee permission to use any public building in said county or city for public assembly purposes."

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# AMERICA FIRST SQUIRMS OVER LINDY SPEECH

## Popular Indignation Rises Over Isolationist's Thrust at Jews.

BY FRANK SMOTHERS.

Charles A. Lindbergh's Des Moines speech, in which he injected a racial attack in his drive against the national program for defeat of Hitler, loomed today as one of the most embarrassing issues faced by the America First Committee in months.

Lindbergh's speech is expected "to be brought up," it was said at headquarters of America First, at a meeting of its national executive committee in Chicago Thursday.

This was divulged in the face of a mounting barrage of rebukes for the flier by outstanding Americans, most of them supporters of the national policy, some of them isolationists.

Until Thursday, a spokesman of America First declared, the committee has nothing to say on Lindbergh's speech.

The executive committee meeting, it was indicated, will concern itself primarily with the new "shoot on sight" orders under which the Navy started operating today. Apparently, however, the "heat" in Lindbergh's case has become too pressing to be disregarded.

Unconfirmed reports state that some America First leaders, including John T. Flynn, chairman of the New York chapter, are calling for repudiation of Lindbergh. Others are attempting to minimize the significance of his declaration at Des Moines that "the three most important groups who have been pressing this country toward war are the British, the Jewish and the Roosevelt administration."

Indications are that expulsion of

Lindbergh—who shares with Senator Burton K. Wheeler top rank as platform man for America First—would split the organization's following wide open. Observers point out that it would anger the personal following built up by America First for Lindbergh, and followers generally of the Nazi line against the Jews.

Race Issue Raised in Film Quiz.

Lindbergh's speech in Des Moines followed raising of the same race issue by the Senate subcommittee investigation into "war propaganda" in the films—including admonishing of Jews by Senator Gerald K. Nye (Rep., N. D.), an America-First orator. Four of the five members of the subcommittee are isolationists.

Meantime, in Washington Mrs. John L. Whitehurst, president of the General Federation of Women's Clubs, had a new designation for Lindbergh and Wheeler. She described them as "Sixth Columnists," who "innocently or otherwise permit certain attitudes or activities to exist when they are of inestimable benefit to the enemy."

Mrs. Whitehurst said she believed Wheeler and Lindbergh were honest, but she held that they and other isolationists should not create chaotic thinking among our people as to the need for adequate national defense.

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## HUB POLICE TO PROTECT AMERICA FIRST MEETING

Preparations have been made to handle a crowd of 8000 through the engaging of Mechanics Building for the Amreica First Committee meeting Thursday night, officials of the Greater Boston branch of that organization announced today.

Close to 100 special police have been detailed to duty at the hall, anticipating the turnout. Back Bay police will be assisted by 40 patrolmen and two sergeants from other divisions.



Rush Holt

Supt. Edward W. Fallon has also ordered a squad of detectives on duty to guard against pickpockets and also disorder from heckling. and has as-

signed a large number of men to handle traffic at the Huntington avenue entrance to the hall.

Edwin S. Webster, Jr., Boston investment councilor, will preside, following a welcome to the speakers, former Sen. Rush Holt of Virginia and Sen. Gerald T. Nye of North Dakota, by William B. Gallagher, former commander of Michael Perkins Post, American Legion.

Tudor Gardiner, Jr., chairman of the Greater Boston branch, and Mrs. E. Schier Welch, executive secretary, will speak at the dinner.

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# Nye to Address Anti-War Rally Here Tonight

## America First Group Defends Lindbergh on Anti-Semitic Charge

Senator Gerald P. Nye of North Dakota and former Senator Rnah Holt of West Virginia will arrive at Back Bay Station this morning to speak at a meeting tonight in Mechanics Hall under the auspices of the America First Committee.

Sponsors of tonight's meeting announced that the right is reserved to refuse admittance to "Communists, Fascists, members of the Nazi Bund and the war bund."

### DINNER TO PRECEDE RALLY

At a dinner at the Vendome preceding the rally, speakers will include Mrs. E. Sohler Welch and Tudor Gardner, Jr.

The committee, which arranged the dinner and the meeting at Mechanics Hall includes Mrs. John S. Lawrence, Mrs. Louis Arthur Coolidge, Mrs. Ezra R. Thayer, Miss Helen Longstreet Coolidge, Mrs. Augustus Lowell Putnam, Mrs. John R. Marquand, Mrs. Roscoe Cartet, Mrs. James C. Bayley, Jr., Paul Kilham, Jr., Ernest Henderson, Edward Brackett and Dr. Carl Barnes.

Edwin B. Webster of Boston, acting secretary of the New York chapter of the America First Committee, will preside at the meeting.

CHICAGO, Sept. 24 (AP)—The America First Committee said in a statement tonight that "Col. Lindbergh and his fellow members of the America First Committee are not anti-semitic," and charged that interventionists had injected the race issue "into the discussion of war or peace."

The statement was issued by the group's national committee, the policy making body, as a result of Lindbergh's speech in Des Moines, Ia., Sept. 11, in which he said the "British, the Jewish and the Roosevelt administration" were the three most important groups "which have been pressing this country toward war."

The statement issued by the committee follows:  
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### "DEPLORED" BY GROUP

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# Big Police Detail Planned for Holt and Nye Tonight

## America First Meeting Here Expected to Attract 8000

As word reached Boston last night that the national directors of the America First Committee have defended Lindbergh's Des Moines speech on the grounds that charges that it was anti-Semitic are "baseless," elaborate police arrangements were completed to guard against trouble at the local America First meeting to be held tonight at Mechanics Building.

Speaking at tonight's meeting will be United States Senator Gerald P. Nye, Rep., of North Dakota, and Ex-United States Senator Rush Holt of West Virginia, a bitter Roosevelt foe.

Close to 100 special police have

been detailed to duty at Mechanics Building tonight, where a gathering of more than 8000 is expected to attend. During the day Senator Nye will give a press interview and be taken by police escort to the State House to be greeted by Lieut. Gov. Horace T. Cahill and to City Hall to be welcomed by the Mayor.

Senator Nye will be met at the train at the South Station by City Greeter Louis J. Brems and the heads of the Boston chapter of the committee. He will go then to the Copley-Plaza where he will give a press interview. Edwin S. Webster Jr., Boston and New York investment counselor, will preside at the meeting tonight. Members of the committee will give the speakers a dinner before the meeting.

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## WHEELER ARRIVES IN BAY AREA FOR TWO ADDRESSES

United States Senator Burton K. Wheeler of Montana will be the principal speaker tonight at a rally of the America First Committee to be held at the Civic Auditorium in Oakland.

Senator Wheeler arrived in the Bay district today for two public appearances. At noon he was scheduled as the guest speaker at the Commonwealth Club luncheon at the Palace Hotel in San Francisco, his subject being "Can the United States Stay Out of This War?"

His Oakland appearance at the Civic Auditorium is the main event of the America First Committee's program, and John J. Teheny, attorney and regional director for Northern California, announces that plans have been completed to handle a large crowd.

The doors of the arena will be opened at 6 o'clock, and there will be a program of speaking and singing to keep the attention of the crowd until Wheeler begins his speech at 9 o'clock. His talk will be broadcast from 9 to 9:30 by KSFO.

Of the 7000 seats in the Auditorium, 5000 are unreserved and free to the public. The remaining 2000 are reserved, with tickets selling from 25 cents to \$1.

Guy M. Wright, local chairman of the America First Committee, will read the principles of America First; and a preliminary address will be made by James Purcell, San Francisco attorney.

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# America First Ban Is Held Up

## Berkeley School Board Decides to Wait Until Hall Is Asked For

BERKELEY, Sept. 25.—In the wake of action taken by the City Council, the Berkeley Board of Education last night delayed voting on the banning of schools to the America First Committee until a formal request is made for use of an auditorium.

"Our board is in general agreement with the attitude expressed in your resolution," reads a letter to Campanile Post No. 402, American Legion, which asked both city and school authorities to bar America First meetings from public structures. "No request is now before this board for the use of any of its buildings by this committee or any of its members. If we receive such a request, the board will at that time take definite and positive action."

A communication, enclosing resolutions adopted by Campanile Post, was discussed in conference session by board members prior to the open meeting. As a result of the decision reached, Superintendent Virgil Dickson read the Legion resolution and the board's drafted reply, which was accepted without discussion by the board.

At a meeting on Tuesday the City Council, after lengthy discussion and a series of motions and reconsiderations, voted to table the Legion resolu-

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# Attack on Lindy Smokescreen, Backers Charge

**America First Denies  
Flyer Is Anti-Semitic,  
Blames War Seekers**

CHICAGO, Sept. 24 (C.T.P.S.). Officials of the America First Committee issued a statement today in which they denied charges that Charles A. Lindbergh is anti-Semitic and held that "behind a smoke-screen of groundless charges this nation is being led to war in violation of the Constitution of the United States."

The charges were made after Lindbergh asserted that three groups, the British, the Jewish, and the Roosevelt Administration, are mainly responsible for edging the United States to the verge of war.

## Blames Interventionists

"Ever since the nation-wide effort to keep America out of war began," the America First statement said, "the interventionists have sought to hide the real issue by flinging false charges at the America First Committee and at every leader who has spoken out against our entry into the European conflict. The present attack on Colonel Lindbergh is merely another case in point."

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"There is but one real issue—the issue of war. From this issue we will not be diverted. We will carry on the fight until it is won."

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## *W.C. Fisher Headed* **America First Office Raided In Nazi Probe**

**Rep. Fish Denies  
Aiding Dennett in  
Removing Mail Sacks**

Twelve sacks of mail were seized in the Washington headquarters of the America First Committee by a deputy United States marshal last night in connection with a pending Grand Jury investigation of what the Justice Department calls "suspected Nazi agents."

Justice Department officials said the mail sacks were handed over voluntarily by representatives of the America First Committee in response to a subpoena duces tecum. The Government spokesmen denied that the mail was seized in an effort to smear the America First Committee. They insisted there is no intention of using the Grand Jury as a weapon of intimidation against antiwar organizations generally.

### **Was Second Raid**

Earlier in the day, however, the Justice Department had been accused of attempting to smear non-interventionists in Congress as a result of its disclosure of another raid on the headquarters of the Make Europe Pay and the Islands for War Debts Committees.

In the first raid Justice Department agents seized bales of envelopes bearing the congressional free mailing frank of seven non-interventionists and containing speeches made by them in Congress. Prescott Dennett, secretary of the Make Europe Pay and the Islands for War Debts Committees, failed to produce the franked mail in response to a subpoena duces tecum, according to Justice Department officials, and has been threatened with contempt proceedings.

### **Readily Surrendered**

The second mail seizure was part of the earlier raid. Age obtained information, it said, that twelve sacks of mail belonging to Dennett had been placed in custody of the America First Committee. A subpoena duces tecum directed Miss Isabel French, office manager of the committee headquarters, to produce the mail sacks. Justice Department spokesmen said she readily surrendered the mail sacks to the marshal.

It was reported that the 12 sacks seized yesterday were part of a total of 20. These were said to have been removed from Dennett's offices, part of them being taken to the offices of the America First Committee and others stored in the House Office Building. It was further reported that Representative Hamilton Fish (R.), of New York, had aided Dennett in the removal. This Representative Fish denied emphatically last night in New Bedford, Mass., where he had a lecture engagement.

### **Senator's Wife Chairman**

Mrs. Bennett Champ Clark, wife of the Missouri antiwar Senator, is chairman of the Washington chapter of the America First Committee. Justice Department officials said she called and explained that there was no objection whatever to the removal of the mail sacks.

The unmailed letters seized in Dennett's headquarters bore the franks of:

Representative Stephen A. Day (R.), of Illinois; Representative Martin L. Sweeney (D.), of Ohio; Senator D. Worth Clark (D.), of Idaho; Senator Gerald P. Nye (R.), of North Dakota; Representative George Holden Tinkham (R.), of Massachusetts; the late Senator Ernest Lundeen (F. L.), of Minnesota, and former Representative J. Thorkelson (R.), of Montana.

Senator Clark said he knew nothing about the envelopes bearing his frank and speeches.

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# AMERICA FIRST DENIES LINDBERGH IS ANTI-SEMITIC

Officials of the America First committee issued a statement yesterday in which they denied charges that Charles A. Lindbergh is anti-Semitic and held that "behind a smoke screen of groundless charges this nation is being led to war in violation of the constitution."

The charges were made after Lindbergh, speaking at Des Moines, Ia., asserted that the British, the Jewish, and the Roosevelt administration are mainly responsible for edging the United States to the verge of war.

## Fling False Charges.

"The interventionists have sought to hide the real issue by flinging false charges at every leader who has spoken out against our entry into the European conflict. The attack on Col. Lindbergh is merely another case in point.

"Col. Lindbergh and his fellow members of the America First committee are not anti-Semitic. We deplore the injection of the race issue into the discussion of war or peace. It is the interventionists who have done this.

## Tell Interventionists' Aim.

"America First, on the other hand, has invited men and women of every race, religion, and national origin to join this committee.

"At least 80 per cent of the American people oppose our entry into the war. The America First committee has supplied to these millions of citizens a leadership which has thus far helped to avert disaster. Consequently, the aim of the war makers is to destroy the America First committee."

# America First Group Denies Anti-Semitism

By the Associated Press

Chicago, Sept. 24.—The America First Committee said in a statement tonight that "Col. Lindbergh and his fellow members of the America First Committee are not anti-Semitic," and charged that interventionists had injected the race issue "into the discussion of war or peace."

The statement was issued by the group's national committee, the policy making body, as a result of Lindbergh's speech in Des Moines, Iowa, on September 11, in which he said the "British, the Jewish and the Roosevelt Administration" were the three most important groups "which have been pressing this country toward war."

The statement issued by the committee follows:

"Ever since the nation-wide effort to keep America out of war began the interventionists have sought to hide the real issue by flinging false charges at the America First Committee and at every leader who has spoken out against our entry into the European conflict. The present attack on Col. Lindbergh is merely another case in point."

"Colonel Lindbergh and his fellow members of the America First Committee are not anti-Semitic. We deplore the injection of the race issue into the discussion of war or peace. It is the interventionists who have done this."

"America First, on the other hand, has invited men and women of every race, religion and national origin to join this committee, provided only that they are patriotic citizens who put the interest of their country ahead of any other nation. We repeat that invitation."

"At least 80 per cent of the American people oppose our entry into the war. The America First Committee has supplied to these millions of citizens a leadership which has thus far helped to avert disaster. Consequently, the aim of the war makers is to destroy the America First Committee."

"Behind a smoke screen of groundless charges, this nation is being led to war in violation of the Constitution of the United States."

"There is but one real issue—the issue of war. From this issue we

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# AMERICA FIRST BRAVES REBUKES, DEFENDS LINDY

**Denies Flier or Group Is  
Anti-Semitic; Patriots  
Hit Statement.**

## 'Adolf Loves Lindy'

Los Angeles, Sept. 25.—(UP)—Billboard "Valentines," bearing an arrow-pierced heart and the words "Adolf Loves Lindy," made their appearance here today.

The signs bore no caption and contained no clue as to who erected them.

BY FRANK SMOTHERS.

The America First Committee today answered a nation-wide wave of rebuke for Charles A. Lindbergh's Des Moines attack upon the Jews by declaring that neither Lindbergh nor America First is "anti-Semitic."

Its statement defending the aviator makes no direct reference to his speech at an America First rally in Des Moines, Sept. 11, nor to the charges he then directed against the Jews.

Those Lindbergh blasts included the allegation that "the British, the Jewish and the Roosevelt administration" were "pressing this country toward war," and that the Jews present great "danger" in what he described as "their large ownership and influence in our motion pictures, our press, our radio and our government."

### Brings Forth a Mouse.

"We deplore the injection of the race issue into the discussion of war or peace," says the long-awaited America First statement issued on behalf of the national executive committee. "It is the interventionists who have done this."

That charge against the interventionists apparently referred to declarations by Wendell Willkie and other backers of the national foreign policy openly defending American Jews from attack.

After reading the America First pronouncement Courtenay Barber Jr., director of the Chicago Fight for Freedom Committee, issued this statement:

"The mountain labored and brought forth a mouse. The attempt of the America First Committee to whitewash Lindbergh and themselves for the ex-colonel's anti-Semitic speech is a clear-cut self-indictment.

### Renews Its Charge.

"Fight for Freedom renews its charge that the America First Committee has a strong anti-Semitic plank in its secret platform.

"We welcome the fact that its leading spokesman has brought it out into the open, with such men as Nye, Wheeler and Fish openly substantiating it and countless others doing likewise by indiscreet silence."

The three isolationists named are Senator Burton K. Wheeler, Senator Gerald P. Nye and Congressman Hamilton Fish.

Simultaneously Barber made public a letter he has sent to Brig-Gen. Robert E. Wood, retired, chairman of America First, challenging that committee to disclose the names and contributions of its donors to a recognized public accountant—Fight for Freedom to pay for the job. National headquarters of America First have consistently declined to reveal a full list of major donors. It released a partial list some months ago.

### Text of the Statement.

The complete statement by the America First Committee on Lindbergh follows:

"Ever since the nationally wide effort to keep America out of war began, the interventionists have sought to hide the real issue by flinging false charges at the America First Committee and at every leader who has spoken out against our entry into the European conflict. The present attack on Col. Lindbergh is merely another case in point."

Col. Lindbergh and his fellow members of the America First Committee are not anti-Semitic. We

deplore the injection of the race issue into the discussion of peace. It is the interventionists who have done this. On the other hand, we support the men and women of every race and national origin who are patriotic citizens who put the interests of their country ahead of those of any other nation. We repeat that invitation.

"At least 80 per cent of the American people oppose our entry into the war. The America First Committee has supplied to these millions of citizens a leadership which has thus far helped to avert disaster. Consequently, the aim of the war makers is to destroy the America First Committee.

### 'We'll Carry On Fight.'

"Behind a smokescreen of groundless charges this nation is being led to war in violation of the Constitution of the United States.

"There is but one real issue—the issue of war. From this issue we will not be diverted. We will carry on the fight until it is won."

Following discussion of Lindbergh at a meeting of the America First national executive committee at the home of Janet Ayer Fairbank last Thursday, issuance of a statement was delayed pending its submission to committeemen not present.

Asked today whether the national committeemen all had approved the final statement, an America First spokesman said:

"There is no announcement on how it was decided upon."

One member of the executive committee—Brig. Gen. Hugh S. Johnson, retired—has publicly dissociated himself from Lindbergh's speech.

### Stand on Statement.

Asked whether the statement was to be considered a specific backing of Lindbergh's charges against the Jews and admonition to them, the spokesman said:

"We stand on the statement. You can interpret it as you wish."

One of Lindbergh's statements at Des Moines was:

"Tolerance is a virtue that depends upon peace and strength. History shows that it cannot survive war and devastation. A few far-sighted Jewish people realize this and stand opposed to intervention. But the majority still do not."

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# America First Rally Calls for Helpers Of German, Italian and Irish Or

BY FRANK SMOTHERS.

The Rev. John A. O'Brien, professor of apologetics at Notre Dame, last night launched "a plan" for America First—and in doing so exhorted citizens "with German, Austrian and Italian names" to make themselves heard.

The recently organized "Christopher Columbus Chapter" of America First on the Southwest Side had some 400 adherents in Marshfield Auditorium to hear the professor and Janet Ayer Fairbank, vice-chairman of America First.

All listened intently as Father O'Brien declared—intoning his words easily, plausibly, almost lovingly:

"All we need is about 3,000,000 more Irish. But I plead with others of you, get out and work. A German name is nothing against you. There should be no silence of people with German, Austrian and Italian names."

Few Volunteered to Picket.

That pronouncement by the professor came after he'd called for volunteers to do such jobs as picketing "pro-war" movies and the homes of Senator Scott Lucas and interventionist congressmen.

Relatively few volunteered. Almost all who identified themselves had Irish names—Hogan, McIntyre, Brady among them. Only one Italian name was heard, though the district was largely Italian and many Italo-Americans sat in the old hall and applauded.

They were glad to applaud en masse, but apparently were a little dubious about personal involvement in the picketing Father O'Brien had in mind. He called the reaction of the Irish "magnificent."

What the professor did not mention was that the meeting had attracted such a small proportion of the Italo-Americans and Irish-Americans of the congested area from which it drew. A sound truck had been prepared outside for an overflow. It was never used—there was no overflow. A great many vacant seats faced Father O'Brien.

Most of his audience were poor people. They were of all ages. A large proportion of the older Italian immigrants stood respectfully mute as the "Star Spangled Banner" was sung.

Two Written 1,500 Letters.

It was not without urging that Father O'Brien presented his "plan" for America First. Just after he and Mrs. Fairbank mounted the flag-draped platform to start the meeting, a bald-headed man in the audience stood up and yelled:

"Give us a plan tonight. We haven't got a plan."

The same man came back to it later after Mrs. Fairbank said how much good she thought antiwar letters to the White House had done. He stood up and shouted with emotion:

"Letters haven't helped. I've written 1,500 of them. We need a plan."

So Father O'Brien tried to offer a plan. It included the proposed picketing. Talking of picketing, he said, "Why not the White House?" But apparently the Christopher Columbus Chapter didn't see just how it could picket the White House and that idea lapsed.

Write Letter Every Day.

The "plan" included enrolling in America First what Father O'Brien called "all the 125,000,000 who think as we do." Otherwise it got back to the old reliable—letters. The O'Brien letter plan, however

sent 1,500 letters, the professor of apologetics was not. "How many of you will agree to write one letter a day to the President and Congress till the crisis is past?" O'Brien asked.

Most raised their hands. The entire audience was 400, Father O'Brien said it was 1,000, and he wanted 1,000 letters sent a day.

"Write every day to the President," he gently intoned. "And how about Lucas?"

"Boo, boo," stated some of his hearers.

"Write one every day to Lucas," Father O'Brien resumed. "And what about the newspapers that cry for war each day, and say we won't rest till we get your boy slaughtered and blow out his brains? Is there a law that makes you buy a paper that does so?"

A few said, no, there wasn't.

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## Fake War Drive Issues Assailed by O'Brien

Fake issues, exaggerated incidents and manufactured crises are being used by the war party in a desperate effort to drag the American people into the European strife, Dr. John A. O'Brien, Notre Dame professor, charged last night.

Speaking under the auspices of the Christopher Columbus Chapter of the America First Committee at Marshfield Auditorium, he urged the people to stand fast in their determination not to be used as cannon fodder to fight the wars of foreign nations. He said:

"The propaganda to enter the European holocaust outrages every instinct of American patriotism and reasonable self-interest, America's entrance would spell national suicide."

### PUTS AMERICA FIRST.

He made it clear that he was speaking "neither for Notre Dame nor for the Catholic church, but in my own name as an American citizen. I have an abhorrence for Hitlerism, loathing for Stalinism and sympathy for victims of aggression everywhere.

He said no finer tribute could be paid to the common-sense of the American people "and their ability to see through the smoke screen of propaganda" than to say that "they are as determined as ever not to repeat the ghastly blunder of 1917."

He spent the first year of the

war at Oxford University, he continued, and saw the enormous stream of British propaganda sent daily to America to pull the United States again "into the power of Europe." He added:

### COLD TO PROPAGANDA.

"In spite of that increasing stream of British propaganda, in spite of British agents swarming upon Washington like an army of redcoat invaders, and in spite of the swashbuckling clamor of the Knoxes, Stimsones, Willkies and Peppers, the American people remain calm and determined to mind their own business. This, too, in spite of the continued inflammatory utterances of the man who swore to high heaven to keep us out of war."

At the end of the meeting the 1,000 participants sent a telegram to President Roosevelt urging him not to demand repeal of the neutrality act.

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## Agents Seize Papers From 'America First'

**Investigators Will Not  
Reveal Contents of Sub-  
poenaed Material.**

WASHINGTON, Sept. 25.—(AP) Government investigators revealed today they had subpoenaed material from the local office of the America First Committee in connection with the Justice Department's grand jury inquiry into alleged violations of the foreign agents' registration act.

The material was enclosed in half a dozen mail sacks, but William P. Maloney and Edward J. Hickey, special assistants to the attorney general in charge of the inquiry, refused to say what the papers and documents included.

The investigation already has resulted in the indictment of Frank Burch, Akron (Ohio) attorney, for failure to register as an alleged agent of the German government.

During the day the grand jury heard five witnesses, among them Prescott Dennett, secretary of the make-Europe-pay-war debts committee and the islands-for-war debts committee.

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# **Mrs. Kahn: I'm Not a Member Of 'America First'**

Former Congresswoman Florence P. Kahn of San Francisco has issued a statement declaring she is not a member of the America First Committee and that she is in no way associated with that organization.

"The continued use of my name, in spite of numerous and vehement protests, by the America First Committee, with which I am in no way connected, has necessitated my making this public statement," Mrs. Kahn said.

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# America First Office Raided In Nazi Probe

**Rep. Fish Denies  
Aiding Dennett in  
Removing Mail Sacks**

Twelve sacks of mail were seized in the Washington headquarters of the America First Committee by a deputy United States marshal last night in connection with a pending Grand Jury investigation of what the Justice Department calls "suspected Nazi agents."

Justice Department officials said the mail sacks were handed over voluntarily by representatives of the America First Committee in response to a subpoena duces tecum. The Government spokesmen denied that the mail was seized in an effort to smear the America First Committee. They insisted there is no intention of using the Grand Jury as a weapon of intimidation against antiwar organizations generally.

## Was Second Raid

Earlier in the day, however, the Justice Department had been accused of attempting to smear non-interventionists in Congress as a result of its disclosure of another raid on the headquarters of the Make Europe Pay and the Islands for War Debts Committees.

In the first raid Justice Department agents seized bales of envelopes bearing the congressional free mailing frank of seven non-interventionists and containing speeches made by them in Congress. Prescott Dennett, secretary of the Make Europe Pay and the Islands for War Debts Committee, failed to produce the franked mail in response to a subpoena duces tecum, according to Justice Department officials, and has been

## Readily Surrendered

The second mail seizure grew out of the earlier raid. Agents obtained information, it said, that twelve sacks of mail belonging to Dennett had been placed in the custody of the America First Committee. A subpoena duces tecum directed Miss Isabel French, office manager of the committee headquarters, to produce the mail sacks. Justice Department spokesmen said she readily surrendered the mail sacks to the marshal.

It was reported that the 12 sacks seized yesterday were part of a total of 20. These were said to have been removed from Dennett's offices, part of them being taken to the offices of the America First Committee and others stored in the House Office Building. It was further reported that Representative Hamilton Fish (R.), of New York, had aided Dennett in the removal. This Representative Fish denied emphatically last night in New Bedford, Mass., where he had a lecture engagement.

## Senator's Wife Chairman

Mrs. Bennett Champ Clark, wife of the Missouri antiwar Senator, is chairman of the Washington chapter of the America First Committee. Justice Department officials said she called and explained that there was no objection whatever to the removal of the mail sacks.

The unmailed letters seized in Dennett's headquarters bore the franks of:

Representative Stephen A. Day (R.), of Illinois; Representative Martin L. Sweeney (D.), of Ohio; Senator D. Worth Clark (D.), of Idaho; Senator Gerald P. Nye (R.), of North Dakota; Representative George Holden Tinkham (R.), of Massachusetts; the late Senator Ernest Lundeen (R.), of Minnesota, and former Representative J. Thorkelson (R.), of Montana.

Senator Clark said he knew nothing about the envelopes bearing his frank and speeches.

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## America 1st Rally for Hoopestown

The agricultural rally planned by the America First Committee for Fairbury, Ill., until officials there banned it, will be held next Sunday at McFerrin Park, Hoopeston, national headquarters announced here yesterday.

At least 25,000 persons are expected, the committee said. Sen. Gerald P. Nye will speak.

Twice, Perry J. Keck, president of the Fairbury Fair, Inc., granted the committee use of the Fairbury fairgrounds for the rally, but each time followed with a cancellation, the committee said.

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# **AMERICA FIRST RALLY TONIGHT IN LIBERTYVILLE**

Libertyville chapter of the America First committee will conduct a rally at 8 p. m. tonight in the Libertyville Township High school. Miss Gertrude Coogan of the America First speakers' bureau will speak. Two suburban America First meetings are scheduled for 8 p. m. tomorrow. Attorney Robert D. Ross will speak before the Oak Park chapter at 735 Lake street, and Attorney Henry Rademacher will address the Evanston chapter at 908 Seward street.

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# AMERICA FIRST AND LINDBERGH WIN BUND PRAISE

## Editorial Hailing Attack on Jews Cited by Leader of Freedom Group.

BY FRANK SMOTHERS.

Charles A. Lindbergh and America First can be judged "by the enthusiasms they arouse," it was declared today by Courtenay Barber Jr., director of the Chicago Fight for Freedom Committee.

Barber called attention to plaudits in the organ of the German-American Bund of Sept. 25, the Free American and Deutsche Weckruf und Beobachter for what were called Lindbergh's "truthful" words at Des Moines about the Jews.

### Appeals for 'America First.'

An editorial signed by William Kunze, fuehrer of the bund, hailed Lindbergh, Senator Gerald P. Nye and Senator Burton K. Wheeler as "courageous men" and concluded:

"The European war, wanted by and brought about by this international Jew, has effected the end of the Jew in Europe. If he should fail to learn from that example, continuing to edge America into the holocaust, he will just as certainly experience the same elimination in this country, at the hands of an aroused United States citizenry quite possibly less gentle in its wrath than the peoples of Europe! Yes, it is HIGH TIME to think of AMERICA FIRST!"

### Bund Praises America First.

Barber emphasized that praise from the bund organ and other "extraordinary friends" was nothing new for Lindbergh and America First.

He quoted the Free American and Deutscher Weckruf und Beobachter as saying on May 1:

"Join the America First Committee and continue to bombard your representatives in Congress with letters and telegrams in protest."

Other citations by Barber:

The Fiery Cross, official publication of the Ku Klux Klan, April: "The Klan's attitude toward the present world situation was aptly expressed recently by Gen. Robert E. Wood, chairman of the America First Committee."

### Coughlin Identifies Group.

Social Justice, organ of Father Charles E. Coughlin, April 28: "Col. Charles A. Lindbergh became a member of the America First Committee last week. It is the same committee . . . under whose auspices Father Charles E. Coughlin would be speaking did he enjoy one half as much liberty as a priest and as a citizen as that enjoyed by Msgr. John A. Ryan of the National Catholic Welfare Council."

Msgr. Ryan, outstanding American Catholic sociologist, is a supporter of the administration's foreign policy.

### 'Stop Hitler' Rally Friday.

Meantime, Fight for Freedom has completed plans for a "Hitler-Must-Not-Win" rally to be held in Orchestra Hall at 8 p. m., Friday. Speakers will be Augustus F. Lindbergh, Alabama attorney and cousin of the isolationist aviator; Rex Stout, novelist, and Stanley High, writer on foreign affairs. Admission will be free.

In New York last night Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt opened a series of sponsored radio broadcasts over the NBC network with an address in which she said sincere advocates of America First "are misguided because they seem to think that there is such a thing as separation and isolationism for any individual country."

"One can forgive these sincere idealists," said the first lady, but she did not believe all the isolationist leaders could be forgiven. She said:

"Sometimes I think that some of the isolation leaders forget that if they begin to break up this country into self-conscious racial and religious groups, they will destroy the nation they profess to want to preserve for we are made up of racial strains from every part of the world."

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# GROUP ASSAILS 'AMERICA FIRST'

Jerry O'Connell Hits  
At Senator Wheeler

*Activities of individuals and organizations interested in the nation's foreign policy produced these developments today:*

The California Action Conference for Civil Rights today was on record in opposition to the America First Committee for attempting "to split the increasing militant unity of the American people in defense of freedom and in opposition to all manifestations."

The conference was called jointly by the Civil Rights Conference of Northern California and the Southern California branch of the National Federation for Constitutional Liberties. More than 300 delegates, made up chiefly of trade union representatives, attended.

## O'Connell Rips Wheeler

The resolution was passed after the delegates heard Jerry O'Connell, former Montana congressman, term his fellow citizen, Senator Burton K. Wheeler, "pro-Hitler, pro-Fascist, anti-democratic and anti-American."

"Wheeler," said Mr. O'Connell, "would sacrifice his state and his country for the sake of his own personal ambitions and his hatred of President Roosevelt." Mr. O'Connell and Senator Wheeler long have been political foes.

Back from a month's visit in Washington, D. C., and New York, M. Boris Eliacheff, personal representative of General Charles de Gaulle in San Francisco, will speak Wednesday night at a meeting of the local chapter of France Forever in Druids Hall. He will discuss the trend of public opinion concerning recognition of the Free French regime and the furnishing of supplies to Free French forces under the lend-lease bill. Paul Verdier, president of the local France Forever unit, will preside.

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# Jewish Leader Backs Stand Of Lindbergh

By International News Service

Chicago, Sept. 29.—The America First Committee tonight released a letter received from Dr. Hyman Lischner, of San Diego, former president of B'nai Brith of San Diego and a prominent Pacific Coast physician, indorsing the stand taken by Charles A. Lindbergh.

Dr. Lischner, who was born in Russia of Jewish parentage, referred to Lindbergh as "that courageous and robust American," and stated that Lindbergh "repeats wisely the lesson Israel ought to have learned through the teachings of her prophets and philosophers."

The letter, apparently released in answer to charges that Lindbergh had made anti-Semitic utterances in his Des Moines, Iowa, speech, said in part:

"As a matter of fact, Col. Lindbergh is sympathetic with the feelings and the natural concern of the American Jews for their brethren in Germany. He holds that they, as also the British, have real cause to be concerned and are more consistent and sincere in the pursuit of their policies."

"The progressive war propaganda of the Administration, with its continually increasing governing power, stands alone, apparently uninfluenced by any compunction of a violation of trust or by any natural feeling for the immediate welfare of its own people, particularly the youth of America."

The letter, three typewritten pages long, was addressed to Gen. Robert E. Wood, chairman of the America First Committee, and was signed "Yours for America as a whole, 'One and Indivisible,' Hyman Lischner."



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## Gangster Horde On the March

Editor The Chronicle—Sir:  
 Amazing, isn't it, how we are beginning to see that America First means Britain Last? It evidently means nothing at all to the members of that Committee that a world force is sweeping steadily nearer to us, held back only by the desperate fighting of two countries. A gangster horde is on the march, calling into its fold all those who are opposed to law and culture. Soon all the jackals of the world will join this world encircling movement because it appeals to those who live by the sinister, the foul and the bestial. Religion, art, literature, humanity—have all been destroyed by these gangsters whose methods differ not at all from the gangsters of Chicago in Capone's time.

How can anyone be so stupid as to believe that we could do business with them, or that we can escape being engulfed by the menace ourselves if we blindly give lip service to a propaganda which is turning Americans into traitors because their jealousy—or hatred, whichever emotion it may be, of England, blinds them to a clear conception of what Germany stands for these days, whether within her own boundaries or in the conquered countries to whom she was going to bring the New Order?

Do the America First members never read? Or have they too a desire to burn all literature which may show the Nazis as they really are, full of cupidity, arrogance and seeming to have lost the attributes by which mankind lives and grows in greatness of spirit?

DOROTHY SAGE WYMAN.

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**THANKS FROM AMERICA FIRST**  
*To the Editor:*  
 The executive board of the America First Committee of Northern California extends its thanks to all those, who, despite the brief notice given for such an occasion, made the Senator Burton K. Wheeler mass meeting, recently given in Oakland, a tremendous success.

Amongst those whom the board would like to thank are:

KSFO, Columbia Broadcasting System, for having sought to perform a public service in bringing the address to their many listeners on the Pacific Coast. The cancellation of this broadcast was no fault of the station, but came as a last-minute request from Senator Wheeler, who felt, in the light of fast-moving events in Washington culminating with the Administration's attempt to repeal our Neutrality Act, that any advance script as required by radio regulations, was subject to change.

The Press of San Francisco and of the Bay Region, who, realizing the obstacles, some unavoidable and some deliberate, that were being placed in the path of this committee, came to the rescue by publicizing all news as fast as released. Our committee feels this is a vital illustration to the American people of the value of a free and uncontrolled Press.

The City Council, district attorney, city manager and all other officials in Oakland, who by standing firm placed their city on the credit side of the ledger for true Americanism in the eyes of the Nation.

Chief of Police Wallman and his men for the excellent manner in which they handled the meeting, and

All those other Americans, who by signing up as new members on that night in the America First Committee, evidenced their determination to uphold and preserve the constitutional form of Government in the United States of America.

We, the representatives of the America First Committee in Northern California, realize that it was due to your generous response that the Senator Burton K. Wheeler mass meeting still lingers on our memory as a "Proof through the night that our flag was still there."

America First Committee  
 of Northern California  
 Raymond H. [unclear]  
 Executive Secretary  
 San Francisco, September 24

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## Anonymous Attacks on America First Leader Fail to Perturb Isolationist in Campaign

By Overton Jones

When J. Stanley Collins opened a letter received in the mail at his home the other day, he found a newspaper clipping—a picture of himself which had appeared in The Times-Dispatch a few days earlier. On Mr. Collins' light-colored coat, the sender had drawn a large swastika.

More recently, he opened an envelope addressed to the "American Fascist Committee" to find a sheet of white paper on which had been emblazoned in red a large swastika. There was a reference to American "Quislings."

If the senders of those two missiles had expected to arouse the anger of the chairman of Richmond's America First Committee, they would have been disappointed to see him tell of the incidents later. For Mr. Collins, it seems, is much more interested these days in things other than anonymous letters—such things as putting the brakes on what he thinks is this nation's mad ride towards war.

### England Has Sympathy

"We (America Firsters) don't think it is logical to buy into a war and then go 3,000 miles to participate in it," he declared. "Personally, my sympathy is with England. I put Hitler in the class with a mad dog and I feel the same way about Red Joe. But the claim that anybody is fighting our war is an untenable position, and we have no business getting mixed up in it."

Mr. Collins doesn't like the idea of being singled out in any survey of the America First Committee here, despite the fact that he's the elected leader. It's a movement of principles, not personalities, he declared, and the committee is no place for anybody seeking personal publicity.

In the belief that a thorough examination of the principles and policies of the America First Committee and the local Fight for Freedom Committee might be of value to the public, leaders of the opposing movements were questioned as to the matter. The Firsters said they welcomed such an opportunity to get their side of the argument before the public, but leaders of the F. F. F. group said they wouldn't like to see the two opposing philosophies discussed in one newspaper article. They expressed the fear that consideration of both groups in one story might be confusing to the reading public, that the objective of the two might seem to the readers to be in some way related.

defense, was organized here September 12. Mr. Collins and Robert Waitt Jr., a leader in Young Republican activities, had received letters from Harry C. Schnibbe of the national America First headquarters in Chicago suggesting the formation of a unit in Richmond. The unit was set up with Mr. Collins as chairman until January 1 and Mr. Waitt as co-chairman. Miss Elise Sweeney was named secretary, while the chairman was designated to act as treasurer.

### Organization Growing

Mr. Collins claims that there were 15 persons present at the organization meeting and between 40 and 50 at another meeting a week later. He expects to have 100 signed up within a week or two.

Mr. Collins denied that there is any anti-Semitic feeling among the local America Firsters, despite charges made against the America First following what critics said were anti-Semitic remarks made by Charles A. Lindbergh, leading speaker on America First platforms. The local group, incidentally, hopes to bring some big speaker here before long, maybe even the former colonel himself, or, perhaps, Senator Wheeler.

The A. F. chairman believes the people of the nation are overwhelmingly opposed to war, but admits that "they may be engineered into position where war is thrust upon them." Asked if he thought the present Administration feels this nation must enter the war, the America Firster declined to comment.

### Referendum Favored

The America First Committee favors a national advisory referendum in the event Congress is considering a declaration of war. It's only fair, it maintains, that the people who do the fighting and the paying have a voice in whether war is to be declared.

"If it (the referendum) delays matters a few days, it won't make any difference," declared Mr. Collins. "Military authorities have proved that we are in no danger, that we can't be invaded by any means now available."

Convoys, say the Firsters, are an "open invitation to war." But Mr. Collins admitted that he personally favors helping England if we have equipment to spare. He thinks it's pretty bad when troops on maneuvers in this country have to use wooden guns. He wouldn't have any troops go abroad, of course, declaring that if the America First Committee "can prevent one single boy from being killed in a foreign war, we will have accomplished a great deal."

### Winchell Disliked

Mr. Collins, an advertising man who has served as treasurer of the Republic Club here, doesn't listen to Walter Winchell on the air or read his column in the paper. His opinion of Winchell, he said, is the "same as Pegler's." As to the Fight for Freedom Committee, the A. F. chairman had nothing to say. It would be ridiculous, he said, for him to attack that group for its honest beliefs.

"Abuse," he said, "is no argument."

As long as the United States remains out of actual participation in the conflict, the America First Committee will keep plugging along, trying to keep the nation from becoming involved. But if Congress does declare war—"then," said Mr. Collins, "we'll stop talking."

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## Jew-Baiting Anti-Semitic Stickers in L. A.

ANONYMOUS ANTI-SEMITES and would-be terrorists are active as never before in Los Angeles today—fit advance publicity agents for appeasement Senator Burton K. Wheeler's America First Committee rally scheduled for Thursday night, October 2.

Like the rash of some loathsome disease are the stickers appearing on store fronts which carry the symbol of the "Shield of David," commonly known as the Jewish star, and the slogan "Ve Vant Var."

These stickers also are being circulated with leaflets announcing the Wheeler meeting and another advertising a "Lindbergh Anti-War Rally" held every Saturday night at the Embassy Auditorium. The latter leaflets lack the "union bug."

Right along with these is an anonymous letter entitled: "Chain Letter to all USA. Send Five or More."

This declares, in part: "Millions of Americans are organizing for 'The Day of Judah' (the day we

go to war); on that day Jews in America will be liquidated. A Jew dictatorship will never be tolerated by true Americans. Wake up, Gentile Americans."

And a crude, hand-printed missive addressed to the Los Angeles editor of The People's World states: "All Max Singer VFW Stooges, Communists and Jews Who Ask For 'Busted Heads' At the Wheeler Olympic Meeting Will Be Promptly Accommodated."—JACK YOUNG

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## John T. Flynn Says U. S. Is Approaching Fascism

### Declares New Deal Parallels Italy's Policy

The United States is approaching, step by step, a Fascist system of government such as was first instituted in Italy, John T. Flynn, chairman of the New York chapter of the America First Committee, said last night at Town Hall, 123 West Forty-third Street. Mr. Flynn spoke on "The Coming of Fascism in America," in the second of a series of four forum lectures on America's foreign policy.

Mr. Flynn drew a parallel between the New Deal administration's borrowing and spending policy and what he said was a similar method in Italy of creating "purchase power." He said that this New Deal step was followed by a system of government control over industry, similar to that in Italy, and more recently the addition of militarism and imperialism to the United States government's program puts the nation on a "four-fifths Fascist basis needing only a dictator to round out the picture."

Mr. Flynn digressed briefly several times during his hour's talk to assail Frank Knox, Secretary of the Navy. At one point, where he mentioned the Nazi economic system, Mr. Flynn said: "Frank Knox doesn't know any more about economics than he knows about running the Navy." The remark drew applause from supporters of the audience.

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## All City-Owned Property to Be Refused Group

### Retired Minister Here Asks Room Be Reserved

As far as the mayor and the city library board are concerned, the America First committee will have to look for a place other than the public library or any city-owned building in which to hold a meeting.

The America First committee, an isolationist organization having as its principal spokesmen Charles A. Lindbergh and United States Senator Burton K. Wheeler, has been denied the use of the assembly room of the central library, Miss Julia Ideson, city librarian, revealed Thursday.

#### Others to Be Denied

The same policy will be followed in regard to the use of any city-owned building or city facilities by the America First committee if further application is made, Mayor Neal Pickett said.

Miss Ideson said that Rev. Robert T. Small, 5215 Eigel, a retired Baptist minister, had applied for the use of the library building in behalf of the America First committee. The request was taken up by the library board and denied by a unanimous vote.

#### Political Meetings Out

"The board has a policy against the use of the library rooms for political meetings. The board seemed to be of the opinion that such a meeting would be of a political nature, so it could do nothing but abide by its policy," Miss Ideson said.

"The board felt that there were many other possible meeting places available, other than the library, and that the denial of the application did not mean banning the committee from meeting."

When told of the board's decision, Reverend Small indicated appeal to the city council to override the board, Miss Ideson said.

#### Mayor Informed of Effort

"He suggested that I refer the matter to the council, but I told him it would be more proper for him to make the appeal, if he preferred to do so, since he represented the group which was seeking the use of the library."

Mayor Pickett already had been informed of the effort to obtain the use of the library as a meeting place.

"Frankly, as far as I'm concerned, we won't let them have the use of any facilities," the mayor said bluntly. "If I am called on to vote, I'll vote against granting the use of any city property."

#### Reason 'Obvious'

The mayor was asked if he wished to give a reason for his decision.

"It's obvious," he answered.

The mayor said he understood that the America First committee planned on bringing one of its speakers to Houston Friday or Saturday for a public address, but did not know whether this speaker was to have been Lindbergh, Wheeler or someone else.

#### Others Endorse Denial

Other council members said they felt the same way as Mayor Pickett about denying the use of a public building.

"I'm not trying to abridge the constitutional guarantee of freedom of speech," one of the commissioners said. "I'm simply thinking about the public property which might be wrecked or damaged if we allowed such a meeting to be held in one of our buildings."

"If the committee wants to meet in a vacant lot or in a privately-owned building and obtains permission, let it go ahead."

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# FAIRBURY VETS OBJECT TO RALLY OF AMERICA 1ST

## Keep Isolationists Out of Fairgrounds, Says Legion Post in Farm Area.

Fairbury, Ill., Oct. 3.—(Special to The Daily News.)—Rank and file members of John Joda Post No. 54, American Legion, today stood solidly on their decision to back the national organization's resolution for "unswerving support of our government's foreign policy" and for preparedness to "do the fighting outside of the United States" if necessary to defend the United States.

The decision to go along with the National Legion resolutions adopted at the recent Milwaukee convention had been reached when the America First Committee made efforts to lease the fairgrounds here for a gathering Sunday afternoon. The post, which is located in an agricultural community and which draws a good part of its membership from farms, was responsible for America First promoters seeking a meeting site elsewhere.

The America First plans for a gathering here met with difficulties from the very start. The fairground board of 12 includes 10 Legionnaires and there was no hurry to allow the isolationist group to use the grounds, despite the bait that it would bring business into town. After a period of indecision, the board originally voted to permit the meeting to be held.

### Asked to Rescind Action.

The rank and file of the post felt differently and a well-attended meeting of the ex-service men resulted in passage of a resolution asking the fair board to rescind its action. In the meantime, the meeting's arrangement committee had been informed of the tenor of the community and was urged to hold its plans in abeyance, pending further advice.

The fair board met again last Friday to consider the request of the Legion post, and voted to stick by its original decision. But at the same time, according to statements from Legion sources here, the board took no steps to inform the American Firsters that they could go ahead.

As a result, confusion developed as to just where the meeting scheduled for Sunday will be held. A mass of publicity sent out by the America First Committee office in Chicago stated that the gathering would be held in Cissna Park, Iroquois County. The Watseka Daily Times ran two stories to that effect before being informed by an irate reader that the meeting was to be held at Hoopeston, Vermillion County.

### Last-Minute Shift Explained.

The explanation for the last-minute shift to Hoopeston, given by American Firsters, is that that location offers more conveniences and can handle a larger crowd than Cissna Park.

In any event, Senator Gerald P. Nye and former Congressman Henry C. Luckey of Nebraska are scheduled to speak at Hoopeston and not at Fairbury—due to acceptance by rank-and-file Legionnaires here of the Milwaukee convention resolutions for "unswerving support" of the American government in its foreign policy.

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FORT WAYNE.--CHARLES A. LINDBERGH MAKES HIS FIRST PUBLIC ADDRESS TONIGHT SINCE HIS DES MOINES SPEECH SEPT. 11 IN WHICH HE CHARGED THAT THE BRITISH, THE JEWS AND THE ROOSEVELT ADMINISTRATION WERE LEADING THE NATION TO WAR.

LINDBERGH WILL SPEAK AT AN AMERICA FIRST COMMITTEE RALLY.

U.S. SENATOR D. WORTH CLARK AND JANET AYER FAIRBANKS, NATIONAL VICE-CHAIRMAN OF AMERICA FIRST, ALSO WILL SPEAK.

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## Lindbergh to Address Select Fort Wayne Rally

By the Associated Press.

FORT WAYNE, Ind., Oct. 3.—Charles A. Lindbergh will speak to a select audience tonight under police protection.

His address, sponsored by the America First Committee in Gospel Temple, seating 4,000, will be broadcast over the N. B. C. blue network starting at 9:30 p.m. (E. S. T.). Senator D. Worth Clark, Democrat, of Idaho also will speak.

Vera Sessler, secretary of the committee's Fort Wayne chapter, said admission would be by ticket only. Those who wanted to hear Mr. Lindbergh were required to write Miss Sessler's office and send stamped envelopes.

Police Chief Jule Stumpf said a special force would be on duty at the hall. A detective and two policemen escorted Mr. Lindbergh from

Municipal Airport to his hotel last night.

C. M. Grabner, chairman of the Fort Wayne Industrial Union Council (C. I. O.), made public yesterday a resolution of the Council's Executive Board which said "we condemn the invitation to Lindbergh to speak in our city and we equally condemn the action of Mayor Harry W. Baals in sharing in this meeting." Mayor Baals will introduce Mr. Lindbergh.

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# Nebraska Campus Hardly a Hotbed of Isolationism

## Handful of Students at 'America First'

By Beth Hughes  
World Bureau,  
Oct. 2, 1940

Former Congressman Lucius D. Heck, Jr., said "Heck, no, we are not in the war so long as the Constitution of the United States says so. He declared "only a small number of our people, less than 20 per cent, are egging us on to save democracy and establish the four big principles of the world."

"If we hadn't gotten into this world war," Lucius Heck, Jr., said, "we could have been on our way to fascism."

He cited the example of the United States in the 1930s, when it was a hotbed of isolationism.

By Elisabeth Hughes  
World-Herald Bureau,  
Lincoln, Oct. 2.  
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By Elizabeth  
World Herald  
Lincoln, Oct. 2.

If the two dozen or so University of Nebraska students who turned out for the initial meeting of the university America First committee at the Student Union Thursday evening is a fair sample, the Nebraska campus could hardly be called a hotbed of isolationism. The students formed roughly a third of the audience which a pretty well filled two parlors of the Union building; the rest were people, at least a sharp-eyed observer might say, of the "old-fashioned" type. The speakers were

But the sentiments were for the most part vocally critical of the America First point of view or were at least backing up their spokesmen.

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Henry C. Luckey of Lincoln, prin-  
cipal speaker of the evening; his  
grandson, Luckey Paul, university  
student; and Miss Marian Arford,  
Nebraska Wesleyan university stu-  
dent and former youth director for  
Lincoln's Trinity Methodist  
church.

Lowe, who worked this summer  
for America First headquarters  
in Washington, was introduced by Paul  
Arford, who is interested in the  
movement and the leader.

Lowe, who worked this summer at the America First headquarters in Denver, was introduced by Paul as a student so interested in the movement he "spurned the luxury of coming home by streamlined train to hitchhike back to Nebraska, taking a public opinion poll en route of the war." Here thought out the university, Lowe pointed out he was opposed to the army against the draft at the same time he was working for the America First headquarters.

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Lowe pointed out he was taking  
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invader. He said he was opposed  
to the minority groups working to  
create hatred, draw the United  
States into war and break down  
the system of democratic govern-  
ment.

**Isolation**

**"Few Favor War"**

Former Congressman Luckey said "Hell, no, we are not in the war so long as the Constitution of the United States stands." He declared "only a small portion of our people, less than 20 per cent, are urging us on to save democracy and establish the four freedoms in a world."

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**Improper Flag Display**  
 Buckley stressed the terrible cost of participation in a European war would mean, charged such participation would only serve to make a few "international financiers" rich. He gave his speech "sudden death" touch by discussing the number of coffins allegedly ordered by the war department and they would be "bundles of marked C. O. D." In said, staring at a pin worn in his clothing.

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Asked if the America First group on campus agreed with the anti-Jewish statements made by Charles Lindbergh in Des Moines recently, Luckey Paul declared "We do not have to defend or apologize for a man like Col. Lindbergh." He added that Lindbergh's references to the Jews had been "twisted" by the press, "which has lied and misled you on those statements," declared this local group stood for all America First principles.

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Paul, queried on Germany's aims on this side of the Atlantic as discussed in der fuhrer's "Mein Kampf," responded that he wasn't interested about the book and "Hitler and Mein Kampf" have nothing to do with this discussion. During the forum petitions bearing resolutions that the neutrality act be retained in its present form and voicing approval of the aims of the America First committee were passed through the crowd.

Few signers seemed to know the names of the three signatories, but "Hitler" and "Mein Kampf" were mentioned by a few.

Only petition which seemed to be signed got three signatures. One was "Adolf Hitler," another, "F. H. Story," and the third was "Mrs. Jas. B. Beltzer."

At the end of the meeting, which was cut off when the discussion seemed about to get too hot to handle by the speakers' panel, invitations were extended to the audience to come to other meetings in the future and America First buttons and literature was heard. But even then, when things quieted carefully, not one word against Hitler and his nazis was heard.

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## **LARGE CHICAGO DELEGATION TO HEAR LINDBERGH**

Delegations from America's first chapters thruout all Chicagoland will go to Fort Wayne, Ind., to attend a rally tonight at which Charles A. Lindbergh will speak.

Mrs. Janet Ayer Fairbank, vice chairman of the national committee, who will preside at the rally, will leave by train with her party, but most of the delegations will go by motor. Several, among them Mrs. Lillian Prugh, chairman of the Oak Park chapter, will fly.

More than 100 Chicagoans are expected to attend. Leslie Hinkle, chairman of the Kankakee chapter, will lead a group of 80. Kenneth Raub, chairman of the Gary, Ind., chapter, will take a chartered busload, and motorcades will leave from Hammond and Crown Point. Altho the hall in Fort Wayne seats only 6,000, the local chapter has received more than 8,000 letters requesting tickets.

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## AMERICA FIRST SET FOR RALLY AT HOOPESTON

Sen. Gerald P. Nye (R., N. D.), and former Congressman Henry C. Luckey of Nebraska will leave Chicago tomorrow morning for the big America First farm rally during the afternoon in MacFerrin park at Hoopston, Ill. They will be accompanied by Mrs. Janet Ayer Fairbank, national vice chairman of America First, and her staff.

En route by automobile, the party will stop for a luncheon with officials of the Kankakee chapter of the committee at the Kankakee hotel. After the farm rally an old time pig roast will be held in the park grounds.

The rally will be the first concerted efforts of America First leaders to speak directly to farmers. Former Congressman Luckey was reared on a Nebraska farm and still owns and manages several farms. Sen. Nye's topic will be "Minding Our Own Business."

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# WHEELER APPLAUDS WHEELER ANTI-WAR TALK HERE

Senator K. Wheeler, anti-isolationist, told 5000 persons at a dinner last night that "if you are to stand firm, no president or congress will dare to go to war." The crowd cheered and applauded when he charged that President Roosevelt's policies were leading the country to war; when he cracked at British imperialism and British propaganda, and when he spoke of the administration's apparent efforts to whitewash Russia.

**Hecklers Squelched**  
Several persons attempted to heckle the speaker, but he squelched them in the day, at an Americanist luncheon, Wheeler said that Charles A. Lindbergh is the popular man in America to despise reports to the contrary. "He gets the greatest crowds, and the greatest enthusiasm is shown at meetings," Wheeler said, "he charged that a 'smear' campaign against leaders of the anti-isolationists is 'coming out of the work at the instance of the president of the United States and of his administration.'"

**Tours Arms Centers**  
Senator toured local defense sites, including Ft. Rosecrans, Marine Corps base, Camp Calver, Consolidated Aircraft Corp. Wheeler opened his talk with a salute to Sen. Hiram Johnson and warned that there is an effort to "near Lindbergh and others trying to keep this country in a war."

"You mustn't be surprised at hysteria," he said. "During the war they hanged old Bob Fawcett in effigy and then put him in the Hall of Fame. Those who have the courage to stand up are like these are going to be

the people who are remembered for their courage in the future."

The senator declared there is a fear psychosis in the country today, much like that which dictators abroad promote among their subjects.

"People are afraid the administration at Washington will punish them if they speak out," he declared. "The president tells us there is freedom of religion in Russia. There is no freedom of speech, freedom of assembly, or freedom of religion anywhere in Russia."

"There is only freedom from religion there," he said. "And yet they want to send American boys over there to fight a battle for freedom. The place to fight for the four freedoms are in Oklahoma City, in Seattle, in Atlanta, and—yes—in your own San Diego."

**'Reds With Willkie'**  
"They used to say our meetings were filled with Communists, Nazis and Fascists. Now the Communists are mostly with Willkie."

Hitler rules Germany by fear, the senator declared, as he cried shame upon those who say he is for Hitler because he is for keeping this nation out of war.

"And speaking of freedom from want," he went on: "Is there freedom from want in the slums of London? In India? In Hongkong? If we are going to fight for freedom from want, let us fight for it right here in the United States."

**Freedom Threatened**  
The present administration and the "war mongers" are "trying to stamp out freedom of speech right here in the United States, but they are not going to stop me," he shouted. "I'm going to point out the deceit of those who say that every measure leading us down the road to war is a defense measure."

"I say to the war mongers: Why don't you have the courage to come before the congress and ask for war in the honest, American way provided by the constitution? But they won't do it because the American people will refuse to vote for a declaration of war. The president knows this and the war mongers know it."

## Columnist Rapped

He mentioned the name of Dorothy Thompson, newspaper columnist, as a war monger and when a wave of boos followed, he urged the audience not to boo those who were not present.

"Boo me if you want," he shouted, but he didn't get any boos.

Roosevelt and Willkie had the same ideas before the last election, Wheeler charged.

"They have the same ideas now and they have deceived the American people," he declared. "Never before has the United States faced so serious a condition of affairs as exists in Washington today. I fear an American fuhrer here in this country. They have debauched some labor leaders, some veteran leaders and some farm organizations. But thank heaven they can't debauch the women."

He denied he hated Roosevelt.

## Hate on Other Side

"If there is any hate it is on the other side," he declared. "I hate things, not persons. And if there has been intolerance it has been on the other side."

He read what he said were reports sent to England about American public men, in which it was stated that America is now the center of the war effort.

"Our American navy is the greatest in the world and can defend the United States against any nation or combination of nations in the world," he said. "Bombers haven't narrowed the oceans, they've widened them. Any army or navy officer will tell you, if he dares speak, that the bombers you are turning out here in San Diego can make this country invulnerable to invasion. Remember that the British had to pull out of Norway because their navy was being bombed."

"Is this our war over in Europe?" he asked.

"No, no, no!" cried the crowd.

## Urges Enlistment

"Well, if anyone thinks it is our war he can go up to Canada and enlist. The president says they'll have his blessing. They'll have mine, too. I'd like to see the president give his blessing and send Stimson and Knox over to England."

Wheeler asserted this is an economic war, and that he'd like to see England win it. He charged the story of 25 years ago is being repeated, and that waves of British propaganda are washing all over the nation.

"They've got us again right on the brink of war," he said. "But if you continue to stand firm no president nor congress will dare to go to war."

## Wheeler

Speaking of debt-load that farmers and life to pay off.

"And then what if we go to England will be The crowd roared.

Wheeler was Edward J. K. wanted to "pay four city council permit the Wheeler bowl."

"And I'm going to the two who voted against the permit," the judge went on.

## Flowers, Simpson Hit

"There is Al Flowers, San Diego's 'Little Flower.' I don't know where he was born. Then there was Mr. Simpson—I don't know his first name—born, God help us, in Ireland."

Frank O'Farrell, of the American first committee, under auspices of which Wheeler spoke, charged the federal bureau of investigation has "tapped our wires and looked over our membership lists looking for Communists."

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# Roosevelt Creating Fear of Conquest, Meeting Is Told

## Non-Interventionist Representative Is Heard by America First Unit

Declaring that Hitler could not conquer the Americas if the Western Hemisphere is adequately defended, Representative Hill, Democrat, of Washington expressed the view last night that the President, during the past few months, had been trying to create fear of such a conquest in the minds of the American people. Addressing a meeting of the America First Committee, he opposed the new lease-lend appropriation and urged that this money should be used instead to strengthen our air force and help solve domestic problems.

Last night's meeting, held at the Friends Meeting House, 2111 Florida avenue N.W., was attended by about 100 persons. Wager S. Brown presided and introduced Mr. Hill, author of a war referendum resolution and a member of the non-interventionist group in Congress.

**Calls for Test of Declaration.**  
Charging that the President had broken his campaign promises by taking the country nearer a participation in the European war, Mr. Hill asserted that there could be no war without a declaration to that effect by Congress.

"If President Roosevelt believes in democracy, let him put that question up to Congress," he declared.

In opposing the foreign policies of the administration, Col. Charles A. Lindbergh had evidenced "physical and moral courage of the highest order," Representative Hill said, and predicted that in the near future, perhaps within a year, he will be recognized as "the greatest American of all." Mention of Col. Lindbergh evoked loud applause.

**Opposes Aid to Russia.**

The Roosevelt-Churchill meeting at sea was "unconstitutional and unauthorized," Representative Hill asserted. He strongly opposed the inclusion of Soviet Russia in the lease-lend program. Continuing, he criticized the President's recent statement that the Soviet constitution guarantees religious freedom. "We all know it is a camouflage," he said.

"Let us stay in America and guarantee the four freedoms here," he said. "I don't believe that Hitler has any intention of trying to conquer the Western Hemisphere."

Following his address, Mr. Hill answered questions from individual members of his audience.

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WASHINGTON STAR

# Isolationism Still Popular, Rep. Hill Says

**Alliance With Reds  
Foolish, 150 Told at  
America First Rally**

"Popular enthusiasm for non-intervention in the European war is not dying out in this country, as some quarters claim—and will not die out as long as the America First Committee exists," Representative Knute Hill (R.), of Washington, declared last night at a meeting of the Washington chapter of the America First Committee.

Approximately 150 persons gathered at the Friends Meeting House, 2111 Florida Ave. N.W., to hear the address.

## Leads Isolationists

Representative Hill, who is serving his fifth term in Congress as a Progressive Democrat, has made numerous antiwar speeches for the committee throughout the country and has been a leader of the non-interventionist group in Congress. The subject of his talk last night was "Why Another Lend-Lease Act?"

Declaring it foolish to think we can fight for democracy with communism as an ally, Hill said it was illogical to fight on the one side of the Stalin dictatorship to conquer other existing dictatorships. Hitler and Stalin are notorious as promise breakers, Hill declared, and since the last campaign President Roosevelt assumed the status.

Explaining the America First Committee's stand on the critics of the Administration, Hill said a citizen could be loyal to the government and still criticize the administration when he did not believe that it was doing what was right.

## Sees Failure in Europe

Lending money for the propagation of democracy in Europe that does not exist is a farce at best, he said, and it would be better to spend the billions going for that purpose to the building up of defenses for the Western Hemisphere rather than a war of aggression in Europe.

"It is far more important to defend the four freedoms in the United States than attempting to do so in Europe where we, as an individual nation, would meet with failure."

Representative Hill was introduced by W. S. Brown, chairman of the Montgomery, Md., County Committee, a subchapter of the America First Committee of Washington.

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## Wood Calls Ship Arming Seamen's Death License

By the Associated Press.

CHICAGO, Oct. 10.—Gen. Robert E. Wood, acting chairman of the America First Committee, said last night that President Roosevelt's message to Congress urging revision of the Neutrality Act to permit arming of American merchant vessels, was like "asking Congress to issue an engraved drowning license to American seamen."

Gen. Wood added in a statement that the President's proposal would mean "that American ships will be sunk, American lives lost—and that the country will be led into war on a wave of hysteria just as it was in 1917."

The America First Committee, Gen. Wood said, "will make this the occasion for its most vigorous drive" and declared that "this bold attempt to inflame America for war must be answered in no uncertain terms by Congress and the American people."

Gen. Wood contended that the President realized that the United States would never go to war while the neutrality law stood and that the only reason for asking its repeal was "the war party's need for a series of incendiary incidents."



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*Springfield Leader & Press*  
**O. K. Armstrong Plans  
 Flying Trip Abroad  
 To Get Interviews**

*Among 1st Committee File*

Springfield's O. K. Armstrong will be on his way to Europe to secure material for magazine articles just as soon as he can make arrangements for passports, probably before November 1, he said today.

Armstrong plans to go to England and France with the backing of publishers, studying certain defi-

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 nite phases of wartime life and activity there, and interviewing such celebrities as Anthony Eden and Marshal Henri Philippe Petain.

Getting his passport is the main problem in the Springfield Legionnaire's way at present, but he believes passport difficulties will cause only delay, and not cancellation of his plans. When he has the passport, Armstrong will head for England, going to Lisbon either by clipper or by neutral steamer, and from there by air.

British press service representatives in this country have promised him thoroughgoing cooperation in his interviews, which will deal with

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such subjects as Britain's independent air force, how the British solved the priorities problem, and Eden's requirements for a peace, he said.

In France he plans to study effects of the war on the present generation of French children, and to see how the American cemeteries there have come through this war. He will be going over the same territory he saw as a welfare worker

in 1919 and 1920 and revisited in 1937 when the Legionnaires met.

Since leaving the America First committee late in July, he has devoted himself almost entirely to writing. He went on a 4000-mile tour through Fort Leonard Wood, Fort Knox, Ky., Fort Benning, Ga., and other encampments recently to write an article on "How Our Soldier Boys are Fed and Clothed." The story will appear in an early issue of the Country Gentleman.

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# America First Group Adds 10 To Committee

Labor, Sports and  
Law Represented

CHICAGO, Oct. 12 (C.T.P.S.). Ten more prominent citizens have been added to the national committee of the America First Committee, Gen. Robert E. Wood, national chairman, announced today as the committee prepared to open a campaign against changes in the neutrality law.

The new members represent several diverse fields of endeavor—labor, sports, law, public office, and literature.

## Hutcheson Joins Group

One of the most significant appointments is that of William L. Hutcheson, of Indianapolis, first vice president of the American Federation of Labor and general president of the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners of America.

Following are the nine other new members:

Carl Snively, Ithaca, N. Y., noted football coach at Cornell University, and coach of the All-Star football team of 1941.

Isaac Pennypacker, Philadelphia, Pa., prominent member of the Pennsylvania bar.

Otto A. Case, treasurer of the State of Washington.

Harold L. Stuart, president of Halsey, Stuart & Co., Chicago.

Samuel Hopkins Adams, Auburn, N. Y., author and scenarist.

Mrs. Ruth Hanna McCormick Simms, Albuquerque, N. M., former Congresswoman, former Republican National committeewoman, and member of the Woman's Trade Union League and the American Association for Labor Legislation.

## Notre Dame Dean

Dr. Clarence Manion, South Bend, Ind., dean of the college of law of Notre Dame University.

Edwin S. Webster Jr., New York city, senior partner of Kidder, Peabody & Co.

Mrs. Ellen French Vanderbilt Fitzsimons, Republican national committeewoman from Rhode Island.

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Mr. Nease ✓  
Miss Gandy ✓

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The America First Committee, which in Washington leads the fight against President Roosevelt's foreign policies, is on the boom financially. It moved yesterday from headquarters in an old red brick residence at 126 C street N.E. to an office costing approximately four times as much in monthly rental.

New headquarters are at 1712 Connecticut avenue N.W., where it was announced that each day some prominent person will be assigned as "hostess" or "host" to welcome new members. A staff of six workers, headed by Miss Isabel French, manager, will be on full-time duty to conduct the office as if it were "an election campaign headquarters."

While the migration was still in progress, Miss French issued a complaint to reporters:

"Our real problem here is fear of the administration," she said. "For this reason the isolationist committee cannot reveal to newspapers who its members are or how much they contribute, she declared. Government job holders might be imperiled, she declared, if publicity were given."

#### Open House Tuesday.

"It would be awfully interesting to know how close to the administration some of our members are—awfully interesting," she said.

At 8:30 p.m. Tuesday an open house will be held at the new headquarters. Invited are approximately 30 Senators who are classified as non-interventionist, and their wives. Among those expected to attend are William R. Castle, former Under-secretary of State, and Mrs. Alice Roosevelt Longworth, Miss French said.

By then the items which were being moved yesterday will have been properly arranged—desks, typewriters, flags, banners, posters and supplies of franked Congressional envelopes.

This local chapter of America First receives no financial support from the national organization in Chicago, headed by Gen. Robert E. Wood, former quartermaster general of the Army, nor do any local members pay dues, Miss French said.

#### Supported by Contributions.

"We are supported by contributions, and sometimes our bank balance is awfully low," she reported. She declined to say whether committee finances are now at their peak. The lease on the new office is on a month-to-month basis.

"People are always asking how we are financed," commented Miss French, "as if we were paid by the German government. As a matter of fact, our books are open to the authorities, if they want to examine them."

Mrs. Bennett Champ Clark, acting chairman of the committee and wife of the Missouri Senator, telephoned J. Edgar Hoover and offered to let him send a Federal Bureau of Investigation man to inspect America First records, Miss French said. Nothing ever came of it, she added.

The office manager said the most exciting event since the old office was set up May 31 occurred when United States marshals descended on the place last month. They seized 10 mail bags wanted by the grand jury investigating activities of alleged Nazi agents.

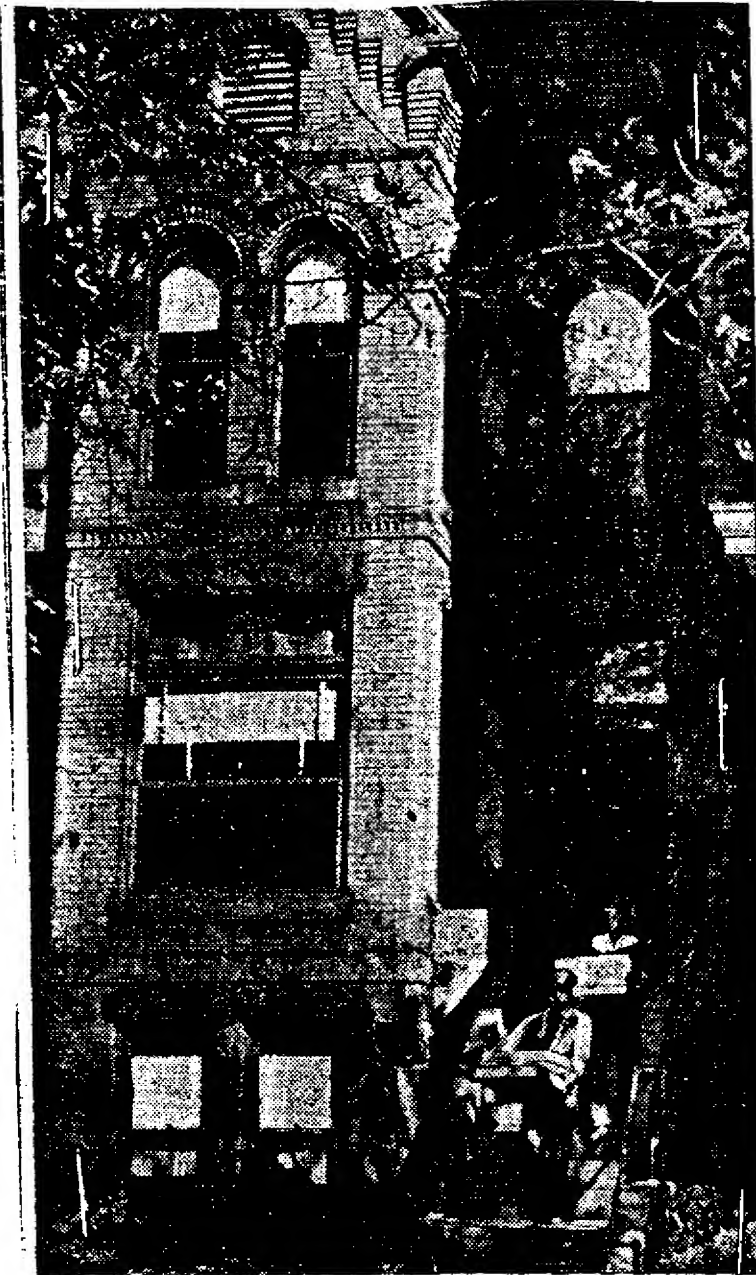
The bags, containing franked congressional envelopes and speeches, had been sent from the office of Prescott Dennett, secretary of Make Europe Pay War Debts Committee, a few hours after he was summoned before the grand jury, the Justice Department reported. The America First Committee accepted the bags, but Mrs. Clark later told reporters her staff had not known who had sent them.

#### Broadcast Parties Held.

In their old quarters local members arranged frequent broadcast parties, gathering to hear speeches in all parts of the country by Charles A. Lindbergh and other non-interventionist leaders. From this office, also, organization was completed for chapters in Montgomery County, Md., and Arlington County, Va.

The advantage of the old location was that it was near Capitol Hill, with every opportunity for "liaison work" with Senators and Representatives, according to Miss French. But it was too small and uncomfortable for local members, most of whom had to travel from homes in the Northwest section, she said.

America First will continue to hold weekly discussions at the Friends Meeting House, 2111 Florida avenue N.W. On October 25 it will inaugurate bimonthly luncheons at the Raleigh Hotel, with John Cudahy, former Ambassador to Belgium, invited to be the first speaker.

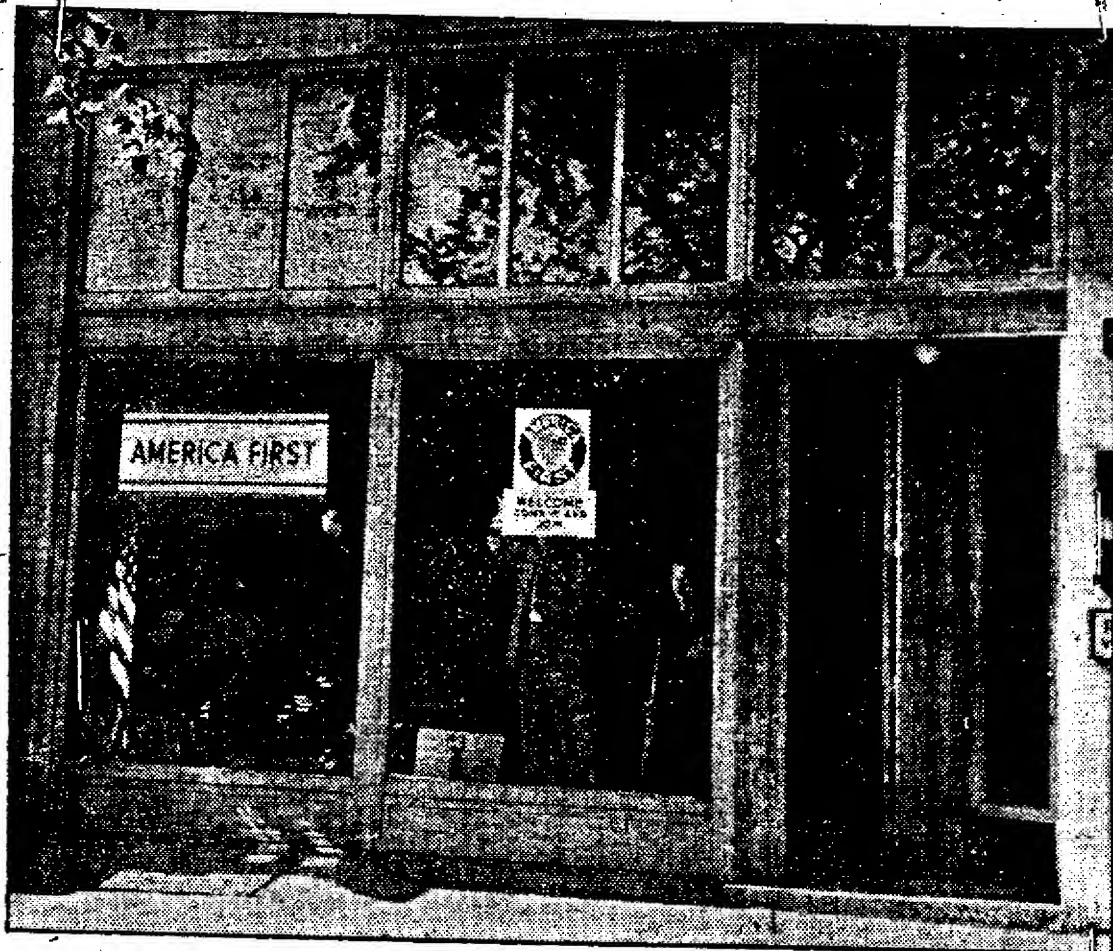


The old home of the committee was at 126 C street N.E.,  
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 Mr. Hendon ✓  
 Mr. Tracy ✓  
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# America First Open House Planned

Committee Will Be Host Tuesday Night at New Headquarters on Connecticut Avenue



Quarters of the America First Committee were transferred yesterday into this new building at 1712 Connecticut avenue N.W., where the rent is higher, but where officials say they will be better able to welcome new members.

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# **AMERICA FIRST GROUPS TO HEAR NEW SPEAKERS**

Initial anti-war addresses by two new America First speakers will be delivered tomorrow night. The Rev. Armand Guerrero, pastor of Mayfair Methodist church, will speak in Evanston, and Alfred William Bruhn, secretary of the American Health Food association and member of the American Legion, will talk in Oak Park.

The Rev. Mr. Guerrero, who will address the Evanston chapter of the America First committee at 908 Seward street, is a graduate of Lewis Institute and Garrett Biblical Institute. He is chairman of the committee on state legislation for the Rock River conference of his church.

Bruhn, an honorary member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars as well as a Legionnaire, will speak at 736 Lake street, Oak Park.

# AMERICA FIRST COMMITTEE ADDS TEN NOTABLES

**W. L. Hutcheson, Official  
of AFL, New Member.**

Ten more prominent citizens have been added to the national committee of the America First committee. This was announced yesterday by Gen. Robert E. Wood, national chairman, as the committee prepared to open a "most vigorous" campaign against any changes in the neutrality law.

The new members represent several diverse fields of endeavor—labor, law, sports, public office, and literature.

One of the most significant appointments is that of William L. Hutcheson of Indianapolis, first vice president of the American Federation of Labor and general president of the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners of America. Hutcheson was a member of the war labor board from 1917 to 1919 and was in charge of the labor division of the national Republican party in 1932 and 1936. He is considered one of the most respected spokesmen of labor.

## Says Group Is Strengthened

In announcing the additions of Hutcheson and the other new national committee members, Gen. Wood said:

"We are glad to welcome these distinguished new committee members, who will add greatly to our strength during the coming critical weeks."

Following are the other new members:

**Carl Snively**, Ithaca, N. Y., noted football coach at Cornell university and coach of the All-Star football team of 1941.

**Isaac Pennypacker**, Philadelphia, Pa., prominent member of the Pennsylvania bar.

**Otto A. Case**, treasurer of the state of Washington.

**Harold L. Stuart**, president of Halsey, Stuart & Co., Chicago.

**Samuel Hopkins Adams**, Auburn, N. Y., author and scenarist, and member of the National Conference of Charities and of the executive committee of the National Consumers' league.

**Mrs. Ruth Hanna McCormick** Shams, Albuquerque, N. M., former congresswoman, former Republican national committeewoman, and member of the Women's Trade Union league and the American Association for Labor Legislation.

**Dr. Clarence Manton**, South Bend, Ind., dean of the college of law of Notre Dame university.

**Edwin S. Webster Jr.**, New York City, senior partner of Kidder, Peabody & Co.

**Mrs. Ellen French Vanderbilt Fitz Simons**, Republican national committeewoman for Rhode Island and holder of the Victory medal of the Society of Social Sciences for distinguished services in connection with the Red Cross in 1919.

## Vows Hard Fight on Amendments

The 10 new members give the America First national committee its greatest strength since the organization was founded. Gen. Wood declared that the committee now will dig in harder than ever to battle the changes in the neutrality act as proposed by President Roosevelt.

"The President's message, which urges that American ships be sent into the war zones of the North Atlantic, squarely presents the issue of war or peace," he said. "Those who support this policy know full well

that it will result in the sinking of American ships and the loss of American lives, and that such incidents will inevitably be followed by full participation in the war, just as in 1917.

"The President is asking congress to issue an engraved drowning license to American seamen. Accordingly, the America First committee will leave no stone unturned to defeat this fatal bid of the war minority. All our man power and all our energies will be thrown into the fight. The addition of the new committee members gives us increased strength in every corner of the country."

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## Nye Backs Lindy Semitism Charge

NEW YORK, Oct. 14—Sen. Gerald P. Nye (R., N. D.), endorsed the statement of Charles A. Lindbergh that the United States is being led into war by the efforts of Jews, the British and the Roosevelt Administration, in a speech at an America First Committee rally last night. He denied that he, Mr. Lindbergh, Sen. Burton K. Wheeler (D., Mont.), or the America First Committee were anti-semitic.

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## America First Group Here Meets 1st Time

The America First Committee of Washington held its initial meeting last night in its new headquarters at 1712 Connecticut Avenue with several hundred persons present.

Guest speaker, Representative Joshua L. Johns (Republican), of Wisconsin, told the meeting, "If we could just keep the people still that have the say-so in this country we could stay out of this war."

Saying that the huge Congressional appropriations, aluminum collections and such things were not needed but were only tools to arouse the public to a war fever, Representative Johns declared:

"Don't get excited about this and just keep your heads, because if you lose it we will be in the war."

Two former congressmen, Henry C. Luckey, of Wisconsin and Samuel Pettengill, of Indiana, also spoke.

Dr. Linn F. Cooper, vice chairman of the local group, said: "We have had too many broken campaign promises. We must stop that. We must get back to simple virtues."

He declared the country must be aroused, then the "deceit, the double-crossing, the humbug" to which we are now being subjected will end and the people of the country will tell their elected representatives in Washington "that we expect to know what's going on and we expect to find out."

Miss Isabel French, secretary of the local group, conducted the meeting. She introduced Mrs. D. Worth Clark, wife of the Senator from Idaho, and Mrs. Hamilton Fish, wife of the Representative from New York, among others.

Representatives from America First chapters in Baltimore, Philadelphia and Minnesota were introduced.

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# **Lindbergh to Address Rally in N. Y. Oct. 30**

New York, Oct. 15 (P).—Charles A. Lindbergh will address an America First Committee rally October 30 at Madison Square Garden, it was announced today.

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## America First Harbors Nazis, Legion Says

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 16 (AP)—The American Legion charged today that German Bundists and other Nazi agents have invaded many California Chapters of the America First Committee and are molding their policies.

Ben S. Beery, Legion Americanism chairman, testified before the State Legislative Committee Investigating Un-American Activities, that there are more than 100 active Nazi agents and speakers in California.

The Legion report charged:

That notorious subversivists hold high offices in the America First organization and that many more are enthusiastic members;

That America First exchanged speakers with organizations identified by the Legion as channels of subversive activities. Among such groups the committee named the Hughes League to Save America First, Ellis O. Jones' National Copperheads and the American Guards, directed by Benjamin Franklin Ballard, chairman of the Down Town Chapter of the America First Committee in Los Angeles;

That Bundists are spending considerable funds to distribute America First literature.

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# Wheeler, Lindbergh To Speak in N. Y. 9

NEW YORK, Oct. 18 (N. Y. News). — Senator Burton K. Wheeler, Charles A. Lindbergh, and former U. S. Ambassador to Belgium, John Cudahy will speak at a rally of the American First Committee at Madison Square Garden on October 30, it was announced today. John T. Flynn, chairman of the New York chapter of the committee, will preside at the meeting. Admission will be free for 10,000 seats in the gallery, while tickets will be sold for seating in the orchestra, boxes and side arenas.

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## Notes of An Innocent Bystander

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CHICAGO.--THE AMERICA FIRST COMMITTEE'S NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS TODAY ENDORSED FORMER PRESIDENT HOOVER'S PLAN FOR FEEDING THE INHABITANTS OF BLOCKADED EUROPEAN COUNTRIES AS "THE DUTY OF A GREAT NATION WHICH IS STILL AT PEACE."

AFTER A MEETING OF EXECUTIVE HEADS OF THE COMMITTEE, NATIONAL CHAIRMAN GEN. ROBERT E. WOOD SAID "THE AMERICA FIRST COMMITTEE WILL DO ALL IN ITS POWER TO FURTHER THE ADOPTION BY THE U.S. OF THE HOOVER PLAN. THE COMMITTEE COMMENDS MR. HOOVER FOR HIS HUMANITARIAN EFFORTS TO RELIEVE THE SUFFERING OF 40,000,000 STARVING CHILDREN."

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## AMERICA FIRST GROUP ASSAILED

Created Disloyalty Toward  
Government, Declares  
Mrs. Whitehurst

WASHINGTON, Oct. 20.—(P)—Mrs. John L. Whitehurst, president of the General Federation of Women's Clubs, said today that the America First group unintentionally has created disloyalty toward the government and apathy toward the defense program.

At a press conference, she urged women to awaken from their apathy, engendered by long years in work for peace, and take responsibility in seeing that this country is strongly prepared for whatever might come.

She has just returned from a seven-state midwestern tour, "a fighting crusade to go after the isolationists," as she described it, and said she found that Senator Wheeler of Montana and Charles A. Lindbergh are "creating chaotic thinking by their speeches."

"I have heard many remarks of disloyalty toward our government and our leaders, following radio speeches by Senator Wheeler and Mr. Lindbergh," she said and continued:

"I cannot think that they intended to divert our people from their allegiance to our form of government and our elected leaders, but they did. Isolationists should be able to air their views without criticizing and belittling those in power and without stirring up racial hatreds."

Mrs. Whitehurst said that in her addresses to state federation meetings she appealed to "isolationists" to scrutinize their messages and delete those passages that are creating distrust of the government. She said her audiences' response was chilly.

She emphasized that she did not contend the isolationists have attempted to convince people that a national defense program wasn't necessary. But in their arguments for

## AMERICA FIRST GROUP ASSAILED

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America First they have created chaotic thinking to the extent that there is belief that such a program isn't necessary.

As a result of her visits to Minnesota, Iowa, South Dakota, Utah, Colorado, Nebraska and Wyoming, she ascribed isolationist strength to several reasons—a midwestern feeling of safety, lack of knowledge of the defense program, partisanship and hatred of the New Deal, fear of British propaganda and influence of America First.

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## Asks U. S. Probe Of America First

**Jewish Congress Meets With  
Other Groups to Demand an  
Investigation**

A Congressional investigation of America First on the ground that it is actively supported by the German-American Bund has been asked by the American Jewish Congress. Meeting in San Francisco with representatives from the Committee to Defend America, the AFL, the California State Federation of Labor and the German-American League for Democracy, the Congress adopted the following resolution:

"The task of defeating Hitlerism calls for a united American people. The leaders of the America First Committee have deliberately fomented disunity by creating racial antagonisms, and by introducing Hitler techniques. The German-American Bund and other notorious Fascist groups have been actively supporting the America First Committee. Therefore, be it resolved that the conference urges an immediate Congressional investigation of the America First Committee."

Copies of the resolution were sent to FDR and California Congressmen.

Louis J. Taber, the 63-year-old master of the National Grange, is under fire, too. Taber, a member of the National Committee of America First, is being pressed for an explanation of how he can belong to America First and at the same time be a member of FDR's farm defense committee, to which he was appointed because of his leadership of the Grange.

*Facts in Review*, a monthly publication of Farm Research, 39 Cortlandt St., points out in its current issue that "farmers everywhere have rallied with enthusiasm to the call for abundant farm production to defend America," but America First's leaders "now seek to divide the American people."

### Clubwoman's Report

The matter probably will come to a head when the Grange meets next month to celebrate its 75th anniversary at Worcester, Mass.

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# Ickes Urges Probe Of America First Group by Congress

Now Nazi Organization,  
Interior Head Says  
In Chicago Speech

By the Associated Press.

CHICAGO, Oct. 21.—Declaring that America should not be content merely to play the role of arsenal of democracy, Harold L. Ickes asserted last night that the time had arrived when "we must decide which is our side and take our stand irrevocably and determinedly on it."

Mr. Ickes also urged a congressional investigation of the America First Committee, which has opposed the President's foreign policy, calling it a Nazi organization.

"We have tried to put off the evil day of decision by pretending that no evil lies in wait for us, or that, if lying in wait, we can fend it off by some of our customary wishful thinking," the Interior Secretary said in an address at the Sinai Temple Forum. "But who, if he can read and think honestly and objectively, longer doubts that the time for our final decision is here. We must face the issue."

Mr. Ickes did not say directly whether he referred to the issue of war or peace, but declared "we must throw overboard the absurd idea that an all-out effort to preserve democracy can go skipping under the trees, hand in hand with 'business as usual'." He also called for repeal of the "obsolete and unwise" neutrality Act.

## Blames Profiteers, Strikers.

Contending that this country's armament effort had been far short of needs, Mr. Ickes laid much of the responsibility on "our appeasers and our defeatists," on businessmen interested chiefly in profits and on workers unwilling to forego strikes.

He recalled the Nazi attack on Yugoslavia and Greece and this country's inability to send substantial aid to those nations.

"We had spent too much time wool gathering," he said. "Too long had America listened to its Lindberghs, its Gen. Woods, its Chicago Tribunes and its Burton Wheelers."

His reference, in addition to the Chicago newspaper, was to Col. Charles A. Lindbergh, Gen. Robert E. Wood of Chicago and the senior Senator from Montana. All have criticized the administration's foreign policy.

Mr. Ickes went on to recall that many had opposed aid to Russia, and said: "How I was denounced when, as petroleum co-ordinator, I sent some American tankers loaded with aviation gasoline to the Russians. Why, in no time at all, they had a Senate committee on my trail, a carefully chosen committee intent

upon believing only such facts as it wanted to believe."

## Group Found No Shortage.

(A Senate investigating committee concluded after hearings that there was no prospect of a real gasoline shortage in Eastern seaboard States and no need for restrictions imposed by Mr. Ickes on gasoline sales.)

A congressional investigation which should be made, Mr. Ickes said, was one of the America First Committee.

When organized, he declared, this group included "some sincere but misguided Americans" but today "it is a tight little Nazi organization that follows the party line as laid down in Berlin."

"Some people of good intention but of little understanding," he

added, "have been kept out as window-dressing. They are merely decoys."

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A GROUP OF 500 BROOKLYN MEMBERS OF AMERICA FIRST, ANTI-INTERVENTIONIST ORGANIZATION, WERE TOLD BY SENATOR NYE TODAY THAT THE ADMINISTRATION WOULD "WELCOME" FUTURE ATTACKS ON U. S. VESSELS ANY INCIDENTS TO INVOLVE THIS NATION IN WAR.

THE AMERICA FIRST DELEGATION MET HERE TO URGE DEFEAT OF NEUTRALITY ACT REVISION PERMITTING THE ARMING OF MERCHANT VESSELS AND CALLED ON MEMBERS OF THE NEW YORK CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION.

NYE CHARGED THAT ATTACKS ON THE U. S. DESTROYERS GREER AND KEARNY HAD BEEN MIS-INTERPRETED BY ADMINISTRATION LEADERS "TO CREATE A WARLIKE ATTITUDE AMONG OUR PEOPLES." HE SAID NAVY REPORTS OF THE INCIDENT INDICATED THE GREER WAS ATTACKED "WHILE PURSUING" A GERMAN SUBMARINE, WHILE THE KEARNY WAS DAMAGED WHEN EMPLOYED ON CONVOY DUTY.

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# **AMERICA FIRST GROUP TO HEAR CONGRESSMAN**

Rep. Karl Mundt (R., S. D.) will be the principal speaker at the first meeting Friday night of the newly formed north side chapter of the America First committee in Belmont hall, 3205 North Clark street. Mrs. Janet Ayer Fairbank, national vice chairman of America First, announced that John W. Maselter was named honorary chairman of the north side chapter. She said that members of the Belmont, Rogers Park, Lake View, Logan Square, Loyola, Uptown, and Edgewater units of the America First committee plan to attend the Friday meeting.

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## America First Group Asks Showdown on War Issue

By the Associated Press.

CHICAGO, Oct. 23.—The America First Committee asked President Roosevelt last night to settle the issue of peace or war by submitting to Congress "a resolution for the declaration of a state of war between the United States and the German Reich."

The organization, in an open letter to the White House, served notice that it would vigorously oppose adoption of such a resolution, but maintained that "the integrity of this Nation and loyalty to the Constitution demand that the decision between peace or war now be made by Congress."

In releasing copies of the message, Gen. Robert E. Wood, acting chairman of the group opposing American participation in the conflict abroad, stated that the proposed amendment to the Neutrality Act to permit United States merchant ships to enter war zones would make American entry into the war inevitable. He contended that the proposal marked the culmination of "the studied program to put us into war . . . without stating the issue in an honest, straightforward way."

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CHICAGO.--THE AMERICA FIRST COMMITTEE, ASSERTING THAT THE "PEACE OR WAR" ISSUE "MUST BE SETTLED NOW," HAS CHALLENGED PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT TO SUBMIT TO CONGRESS A RESOLUTION CALLING FOR WAR UPON GERMANY. IN A LETTER SIGNED BY ACTING CHAIRMAN GEN. ROBERT E. WOOD, THE COMMITTEE CHARGED "THE TIME HAS COME FOR OUR GOVERNMENT TO ABANDON THE TECHNIQUE OF SUBTERFUGE AND TO PRESENT HONESTLY TO CONGRESS THE ONLY REAL ISSUE WHICH AMERICA MUST DECIDE--PEACE OR WAR."

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## Franked Cards Found Burned

### Justice Department Gets New Evidence

Justice Department special prosecutors last night were studying charred bits of alleged franked material said to have been found in an alley just before midnight behind headquarters of the America First Committee headquarters at 1712 Connecticut Ave. NW.

The material was placed in the hands of William Maloney, of the Justice Department, who has been presenting the Government's case before a grand jury here investigating alleged Nazi propaganda in the United States. Maloney today will ask subpoenas calling for production before the jury of the ashes of the material allegedly burned.

It was reported approximately 200 pieces of franked mail were burned. Officials of the America First Committee expressed amazement when informed of the reported destruction of the mail.

The grand jury has demanded production in evidence of 12 bags of such franked material—speeches of isolationist members of Congress and similar matter. Of these, only 10 bags thus far have been produced.

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FROM OUT OF "MEIN KAMPF"—THAT IS WHERE "AMERICA FIRST" SPOKESMEN LEARN THEIR  
ABC'S OF RACE HATRED, TREACHERY

By Art Shields

If you trace America First Committee propaganda to its source you run into "Mein Kampf" and Hitler's speeches.

If you look up the name of Henry Ford, "America First" big collaborator, you find him helled in "Mein Kampf" as Hitler's "great" American, the foe of the Jews.

If you check on General Wood, the chairman and dictator of the appeasement organization, you discover Hitler using the general's statements to justify Nazi aggression.

What is "Mein Kampf"? It is the textbook on Nazi propaganda and tactics, which Hitler wrote while a prisoner in the fortress of Landsberg, after the failure of the Munich putsch of 1923.

**APT PUPILS**

There Hitler lays down his plans for nazifying the world by

dividing his enemies and confusing the people.

America-Firsters have digested these writings. Comparisons between America First propaganda and "Mein Kampf" are startling. Paragraphs from Lindbergh's speeches read like English translations of the Hitler text and Senator Burton K. Wheeler's recent incitement to anti-Semitism is quite in the spirit of the Nazi master.

Some one has said that if you read "Mein Kampf" you can tell what Hitler will do next. You also have a good idea what America Firsters will say.

**BIGGER AND BIGGER LIES**

The cracks which Wheeler, Nye, Clark and Lindbergh have made against "Jewish" movies in America shows what apt pupils they are of the chief Nazi propagandist.

Hitler, Wheeler, Nye, Clark and Lindbergh and their fellows deceive the people. Hitler told his

followers in "Mein Kampf" that the bigger the lie the more effective it became. He asserted at another place ("Mein Kampf," Page 234, English edition) that the "masses receptive ability is only limited, their understanding is small, but their forgetfulness is great. As a consequence of these facts, all effective propaganda has to attach itself to a few points."

And one of the chief of these "points" is the anti-Semitism, which Senator Wheeler revealed in his talk of a "Jewish" war with an English journalist last week. This follows the pattern set by Hitler, who told his American followers in "Mein Kampf" (Page 930, English edition) to blame the American Jews for their economic troubles.

Hitler told Nazi organizers in "Mein Kampf" (Page 848) to "take account of the weakness and the hostility" of men.

And in the spirit of this foul advice his follower Lindbergh hinted of coming pogroms against

the Jewish people, when he said at Des Moines that the Jews of this country would be the "first to suffer" in a war against Germany. This Lindbergh threat was lifted from Hitler's assertion, in the January 30, 1939 Reichstag speech, that the next world war would bring the "annihilation of the Jewish race in Europe" (Page 585, "The New Order").

**FORD PRECEDES HITLER**

It must not be forgotten, however, that Hitler did not invent the smokescreen of anti-Semitism.

Henry Ford was his tutor in that.

"Mein Kampf" drew heavily from Ford's well of anti-Semitism. Hitler borrowed Ford's fable of a world Jewish conspiracy, related in the forged "Protocols of Zion," which the Dearborn Independent borrowed in turn from the literature of the Tsarist political police.

Whole paragraphs of "Mein Kampf" are lifted from the Dearborn Independent, with very little

change. One such borrowing from Ford charges that "every year the [American] Jews manage to become the controlling factors of the labor power of a people of 120,000,000..." (See Page 390 of "Mein Kampf").

Hitler follows this statement with an eulogy of Ford.

**HITLER'S GREAT MAN**

Ford, says the Nazi world leader, is the "one great man" in America, who still "holds out" against the Jews.

The Ford-Nazi friendship, as history well knows, has continued ever since. Ford's plants became bases of Nazi activities. His chemist, Fritz Kuhn, organized the first pre-Bundist organization in Detroit, while still in Ford's employ. A defendant in the current Nazi spy trial in Brooklyn is Edmund C. Heine, former manager of Ford's plant at Cologne, Germany.

While a Nazi Consul was pinning a German medal on Ford in 1938 the Bundist bookshops in

America were still selling "International Jew." Nazi agendists in Latin America tribute the Spanish edition same source book of antisemitism today and the "PM" last Tuesday reproduced cover of a special Ku Klux edition, with credit lines to Ford's Dearborn Independent.

General Wood, the chi peasement SS man in America, has a special Nazi distinction: he used Wood in his invasion proclamation June 22 to justify his war the world. After saying to many, Italy and Japan were in "self protection," turned to Wood for support asserting that:

"... As early as 1933 Minister Churchill, according to statement by the American general Wood before a committee of the House of Representatives declared Germany was one becoming too powerful and therefore be destroyed." (1978 of "The New Order")

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## LaGuardia Asked To Bar Meeting Of 'America First'

New York, Oct. 26 (AP).—Declaring that violence and bloodshed would result from the America First Committee rally scheduled for Madison Square Garden Thursday night, three civic groups today appealed to Mayor F. H. LaGuardia to stop "this outrageous meeting from occurring."

A telegram signed by Dr. C. S. Weiss, editor of Uncle Sam's Digest; Samuel Nieman, president of the Sons of Liberty, and Joseph Goldsmith, president of the Taxpayers Union of New York City, added that "observers at other meetings of America First groups found in the audience notorious frontists, Nazis, hate-breeders, and Fascists, also traitors to our country."

Charles A. Lindbergh, Senator Burton K. Wheeler (Democrat), of Montana, and John Cudahy, former Ambassador to Belgium, are to speak at the rally.

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# CAPITOL STUFF

By JOHN O'DONNELL AND DORIS FLEESON

Mrs. Bennett Clark, chairman of the Washington chapter of America First, has invited J. Edgar Hoover to make a personal inspection of their headquarters here.

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# CAPITOL STUFF

By JOHN O'DONNELL AND DORIS FLEESON

Hollywood salaries that the Government's famous "dollar-a-year" men are still drawing down from the concerns they left behind them to give their all to Uncle Sam are about to receive attention from the Truman committee investigating national defense.

According to information reaching the Senators, only a very few of OPM's business recruits followed the example of their chief, William S. Knudsen, and cut the pocketbook nerve connecting them with their private business when they took the President's dollar. Senator Truman and his associates are inclined to uphold the Knudsen standard. Anyway they have decided to investigate.

Among those whom the "dollar-a-year" situation has given a slight headache is that man of many oil-and-egg woes, Secretary Harold L. Ickes. In fact, it was Ickes who pettishly suggested to the Senators that they ought to cross-examine every dollar-a-year man in defense



SENATOR ARTHUR H. HAYS SULZBERGER

after they had uncovered the interesting story of Ickes' deputy oil co-ordinator, Ralph K. Davies.

For a long time the impression here was that Davies had given up a handsome Standard Oil salary to help Honest Harold solve the oil crisis, not, it is true, for a dollar a year but for ten thousand per. In an impassioned address to representatives of the oil industry here, Davies proclaimed himself a "Government employee, serving full time... having but one allegiance—an allegiance to the National Government



Ralph K. Davies

and to my superior, the Petroleum Co-ordinator for National Defense."

"This is but a way of saying to you that I am properly free to serve from the impartial position of Government and to devote myself completely to the public interest in the present emergency," Davies concluded.

Inquiries at the Interior Department for long brought the reply that Davies had indeed severed his business ties, that such Standard Oil money as he was receiving must come from stock ownership.

In September, however, Standard Oil of California petitioned the SEC for the right to issue some stock. In this petition, the auditor of the company included Davies among the principal officers of the company, saying in part:

"The company has granted Mr. Davies a leave of absence with pay, and relieved him of all duties and responsibilities of his official connection with the company so far as such relief may be necessary to permit him to perform his duties as deputy co-ordinator."

It took a long time for this obscure paragraph to percolate out of the SEC statement, into Government circles—but it did.

The salary attracted attention on its own merits—\$57,000 a year. With the Government's \$10,000 added to it, Mr. Davies' stipend is almost in a class with the presidential pay of \$75,000.

To tart questioning by Senator Maloney, Honest Harold admitted it was true. That gave the Senators the idea that they should probe the whole field of when is a dollar not a dollar.

Ickes defends his aide but the general impression at Interior is that news of Davies' continued salary was not at first known to him.

Among others attracting senatorial interest is Arthur Bunker, in charge of the aluminum and magnesium section of OPM. The banking firm of Lehman Brothers is continuing Bunker's \$60,000-a-year salary.

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It took a week for the Administration to get up its courage to submit proposals for repeal of all major provisions of the Neutrality Act.

Up to the moment the Senate Foreign Relations Committee convened Saturday morning, no Senator was willing to predict the Roosevelt forces would put their fate to the test of a committee vote. Informal polls had shown 55 to 60 votes in the Senate itself for virtually outright repeal but the division in the committee was even with the balance of power resting with Democrat George, of Georgia, and Republican White, of Maine.

Although George co-operated with the White House during his brief tenure as chairman of the Foreign Relations Committee before he moved to Finance, his colleagues recalled that he was after all

the most famous of Mr. Roosevelt's "purge" targets in 1938 and had not so long ago demanded that Congress, not the White House, must declare war. George's dignity and prestige is such that the Roosevelt captains hesitated to approach him and he emphatically could not be tempted with patronage.

But he conveyed word to the leadership finally, after letting them suffer all week, that he would co-operate "to bring the issue squarely before the public."



Arthur Bunker



Sgt. Alvin York

There can be absolutely no doubt as to the politics of Sergt. Alvin York—the real one, not Gary Cooper. The Sergeant named his first three sons Thomas Jefferson, Andrew Jackson and Woodrow Wilson. Last week he notified the senior Senator from his native Tennessee, Democrat Kenneth McKellar, that the first York grandson had arrived, was christened Kenneth McKellar York.

Mrs. Bennett Clark, chairman of the Washington chapter of America First, has invited J. Edgar Hoover to make a personal inspection of their headquarters here.

For more than six months, the junior Senator from Kansas, Clyde Reed, has been ill and absent from Washington.

Time was when Kansans expected that if Reed found he could not return to the Capital, young Governor Payne Ratner would bestow the Reed seat on the Ratner political godfather, Alf M. Landon.

But Interventionist Ratner and Isolationist Alf have parted company and Ratner now will never send Alf to Washington of his own motion but will himself come here if possible.

Aware of these cross-currents, Isolationist Senator Reed, en route to Colorado for his health, paused in Topeka to call on Governor Ratner. "I just want you to know," smiled the Senator, "that I'm not going to die until after January 1, 1942."

Ratner's term expires on that date.

Masao Kato is the Washington correspondent for the Japanese news agency, Domei, and a well-liked member in good standing of the National Press Club.

One day last week a pace boy rushed through the ladies' dining room of the club paging Mr. Kato in loud clear accents. A startled lady looked up from her dry martini, shuddered: "Is that man loose in here?"

Her escort assured her that Jarvis Theodore Roosevelt Catoe, rape slayer of eight, was in custody in Federal Court, standing his trial for murder.

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# La Guardia Asked to Bar America First Meeting 2

By the Associated Press.  
 NEW YORK, Oct. 27.—Declaring that violence and bloodshed would result from the America First Committee rally scheduled for Madison Square Garden Thursday night, three civic groups yesterday appealed to Mayor LaGuardia to stop "this outrageous meeting from occurring."  
 A telegram signed by Dr. C. S. Weiss, editor of Uncle Sam's Digest; Samuel Nleman, president of the Sons of Liberty, and Joseph Goldsmith, president of the Taxpayers' Union of New York City, added that "observers at other meetings of America First groups found in the audience notorious frontists, Nazis, hate-breeders and Fascists, also traitors to our country."  
 Charles A. Lindbergh, Senator Wheeler, Democrat, of Montana, and John Cudahy, former Ambassador to Belgium, are to speak at the rally.

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# America First Assails Refusal Of Radio Time

## Appeals to FCC To Compel Networks To Carry Program

NEW YORK, Oct. 28 (N. Y. News).—Leaders of the America First Committee tonight appealed to James L. Fly, head of the Federal Communications Commission, and to the 21 members of the Senate Interstate Commerce Committee for help in getting coast-to-coast radio network time for the Madison Square Garden rally Thursday night.

Chief speakers at the rally will be Col. Charles A. Lindbergh, Senator Burton K. Wheeler of Montana, and John Cudahy, former American Ambassador to Belgium. Wheeler is chairman of the Interstate Commerce Committee.

"To withhold fair access on flimsy excuses to the principal speakers in the country against going to war, while the pre-war people are, in one way or another, on the air night and day is an outrageous proceeding in a democracy," the America First's telegram to Washington read.

John T. Flynn, head of the America First Committee's New York Chapter, had charged that radio time was refused for the rally because networks are controlled by interventionists. Radio executives replied that no time was available for the periods and the regions which the committee wanted.

Today Mutual Broadcasting System officials disclosed that three weeks ago they had offered the committee any one of three alternative radio plans. The first was a 10:30-11 p.m. network hook-up with a WOR playback 50 minutes later. The second was a 10:30-10:40 p.m. spot on both the network and WOR. The third was a 10:15 to 10:45 on WOR, with a possibility that the network, made up of 175 stations, would pick up the last 15 minutes.

Those were the only times available for Thursday, said a Mutual spokesman today, and when America First executives failed to reply to the offer, the 10:30-10:45 a.m. time was sold.

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## America First Member Quits, Says Situation Calls for Unity

CHICAGO, Oct. 28.—Edward L. Ryerson, member of America First Committee, today resigned from the organization, due to the emergency which, he said, may see America at war "at any moment."

In a letter to Gen. Robert E. Wood, chairman of the America First Committee, Ryerson, a prominent Chicago manufacturer, said America faces a situation that demands national unity whether the country is at peace or at war and for that reason he was resigning.

At national headquarters it was stated "several other members of the national committee had also resigned." Their names were not

made public.

In his letter, Ryerson said: "I have always deplored the state of our national affairs wherein the greatest democracy of the world has been slowly, but surely, guided by our National Government executives into a situation that has not permitted the people of our land to determine upon a national policy."

"It is, however, apparent that we have been brought face to face with an emergency that may mean active participation in war at any moment. To deal successfully with such a situation demands, above all else, unified action by all of our people."

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FCC CHAIRMAN FLY TODAY ASKED THE MAJOR NETWORKS TO GIVE HIM A "STATEMENT OF FACTS" AS TO WHY THE AMERICA FIRST COMMITTEE WAS REFUSED BROADCAST TIME FOR ITS RALLY IN MADISON SQUARE GARDEN TOMORROW NIGHT. THE COMMITTEE ADVISED FLY IT HAD BEEN UNABLE TO OBTAIN ADEQUATE BROADCAST FACILITIES TO CARRY THE REMARKS OF SENATOR WHEELER, CHARLES A. LINDBERGH, AND JOHN CUDAHY, THE PRINCIPAL SPEAKERS AT THE MEETING. FLY FORWARDED THE COMMITTEE'S APPEAL TO THE NETWORKS AND SAID THAT THE COMMISSION WOULD TAKE NO ACTION UNTIL IT HAD RECEIVED "A STATEMENT OF FACTS AS TO HOW THE MATTER HAS BEEN HANDLED BY THEM."

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## America First To Rally Here

### Chairmen to Fight Neutrality Revision

CHICAGO, Oct. 30 (C.T.P.S.). One hundred charter chairmen of the America First Committee will meet Friday in Washington to plan an intensified fight on the proposed revision of the Neutrality Act, R. Douglas Stuart Jr., national director, announced today.

Stuart said the delegates would attend a morning meeting at the Lee-Sheraton Hotel, visit Representatives and Senators, and then map out the most effective means of combatting the Administration move. Senator Burton K. Wheeler (D.), of Montana, and Philip F. La Follette, former governor of Wisconsin, will address an evening session.

La Follette's speech will be broadcast on a national network from 10:15 to 10:45 (E.S.T.), Stuart said. The subject will be "What Next?"

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## "America Fifth"

"America First" is the deceptive name of Hitler's Fifth Column in America. It should be known as "America Fifth."

Fritz Kuhn is in the penitentiary, and the German Bund has moved bat and baggage into "America First."

Nazi fifth columns have been necessarily under cover in this country, but they are becoming more bold every day. The German Bund was infested with gangsters of the Kuhn type, but "America Fifth" has weeded that crowd out. It fairly oozes respectability. That is the Quisling technique.

And "America Fifth" are not, like Lydia Pinkham's satisfied patients, in some far distant state. They are in our midst. There were nearly a hundred of them in the Clayton City Hall auditorium Wednesday night. In that crowd, and applauding lustily, was one of the most notorious Nazis in St. Louis and St. Louis County. He works under cover. He and his small group probably imagine nobody suspects him, that he is a patriot trying to keep America out of war. He is a patriot, but a German patriot. He is trying to keep America out of war—out of war with Germany. If the United States should go to war with Japan tomorrow, he would be happy. That would help Hitler. If America should go to war with England, he would be the happiest Nazi in St. Louis. Nazis of this gentleman's stripe, with apologies to the polecat, are operating, not in Denver or Buffalo, but right here in Clayton.

It is "America Fifth" of this type who are attempting to use the flight of Aviator Lindbergh from New York to Paris in 33 hours to help the Fatherland. "America First" is the old "Hyphen" that gave us some concern in 1918. Today the "Hyphen" is the Fifth Column.

Chairman Mueller boasted, or rather bemoaned, that 10,000 in St. Louis and County belong to the "America Fifth." That is an unconscious tribute to the Americans in St. Louis of German ancestry. Ninety-nine percent of them are loyal and true to the country that gave them the right to live as free men, something Germany never has done, either under the Kaisers or the Hitlers. Their fathers left Germany a hundred years ago rather than be slaves of the state. Their children are too cagey to be caught in the spider web of the Fifth Column and its glaring falsehoods.

And who is this man Lindbergh who would have the temerity to belittle men like Franklin Roosevelt, Cordell Hull and Frank Knox? "America Fifth" enthusiasts told us at the Clayton City Hall Wednesday night that he is the most honest man in America. That's a large order. They applauded Lindbergh's definition of democracy, but they were strangely silent when the definition of "Honest Abe" Lincoln was given from the last lines of the immortal Gettysburg Address.

Lindbergh is the gentleman who is British, perhaps because all of the house was his home when the baby was kidnaped by Britons. Perhaps not. However, they were of his own choosing.

Lindbergh is the "brilliant scholar" asked to leave the University of Wisconsin because he did not believe in getting out the professors requested.

Lindbergh is the "most honest man" positively identified Hauptmann in the case of Hopewell as the man he saw in the dark in New York, when a man couldn't be his own brother in that darkness, except Lindbergh.

Lindbergh is the man who knew better how to capture a criminal than the trained State Police of New Jersey, and took the matter of tracking down the kidnaper into his own hands, and made one of the worst messes of a notorious crime in the annals of America.

Lindbergh is the gentleman who handed old Dr. "Jafsie" a box containing \$50,000, when any psychiatrist two weeks out of medical college could have informed him that "Jafsie" was a dreamer in the class with the late Dr. Frederick A. Cook, who discovered the North Pole somewhere in Greenland.

Lindbergh is the boy flyer who, because of the fame his one flight to Paris, married brilliant Miss Ann Morrow, just out of Smith College, and the daughter of a great patriot, who was a multi-millionaire Morgan partner, and then didn't care to associate with the boys around the airport any more.

Yes, that's the man who is being used by Hitler through "America Fifth" to batter at the leadership of Franklin D. Roosevelt, the one man who happens to stand between Hitler and world dominion.

Yes, to belittle Franklin Roosevelt, the hero of infantile paralysis, the man who came back from the valley of the shadow of death to lead America in time of her greatest distress.

Roosevelt, a graduate of Harvard and Columbia Universities, Assistant Secretary of the Navy under Woodrow Wilson in the World War; Governor of the State of New York; the only man in the history of America ever to be three times elected President of the United States, is just as honest as Lincoln, or Lindbergh, and far better equipped to deal with the treacherous Hitler than any man in public office today.

Three times, and each time by a larger majority, has Franklin Roosevelt laid his left hand on a very old Book, raised his right arm to high heaven and taken the oath of office as President of the United States. Somewhere in that lovely old Book is says:

"The first shall be last, and the last shall be first."

"America First" already is the last false front of the Madman of Munich in his march over the stepping stones of dead bodies to a doom worse than that of St. Helena.

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